

# ALBERTA ELKS NEWSLETTER

MAY 2024



## President's Message



Well, it's been eleven months since this journey began. After a lot of meetings, emails, and phone calls it is coming to an end. I can say that it has been an amazing year that was neither easy nor hard but very rewarding.

When you have a great group of people behind you supporting your ideas and successes, it makes it pretty easy. From our Executive to all the Lodges - Thank You for your support.

There is still a lot of work going forward with this organization to keep it viable and relevant into the future. We need new members with fresh ideas. To lose a Lodge is hard on the Association and especially the communities the club resides in.

I believe we are up to the task and look forward to a bright future for the Elks across Alberta.

Thank you again for a great year!! I am looking forward to seeing you all at Conference in June!

Provincial President  
James Zimmer

Alberta Elks Association and  
Alberta Elks Foundation

## Provincial Conference

Camrose from June 6 to June 8, 2024.

Please take the time to help us plan for your visit to Camrose for the Alberta Elks Association Conference 2024 and register early. All sessions are being held at the Camrose Resort Casino (3201 - 48 Avenue).

Early Bird Deadline April 30, 2024 \$150.00

Regular Registration After May 1, 2024 \$175.00

Send registrations and fees to:

Alberta Elks Association

PO Box 445

Bentley AB T0C 0J0

Email - [elks.secretary@abelks.org](mailto:elks.secretary@abelks.org)

It's Conference Time - have you registered yet??

Important decisions need to be made and we need you to help make them!!

ALBERTA ELKS ASSOCIATION  
2024 PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE  
June 6 – June 8, 2024  
Camrose, Alberta  
Hosted by District #8

DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION INFORMATION (please print legibly)

First and Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Name \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Current Lodge Position \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Position Held \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position in the Association \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FEE** \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00 (Early Bird by April 30, 2024)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$175.00 (after May 1, 2024)

Registration fee includes all coffee breaks, lunch on Friday and two social events. Please note any dietary restrictions on this form for the committee.

**ADDITIONAL TICKETS**

Friday Night Banquet \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 per person

President's Ball \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 per person

**TOTAL SUBMITTED \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cheque #** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make all cheques payable to **Elks 2024 Provincial Conference**  
ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MAY 10, 2024.  
Cancellation date is 10 days PRIOR to conference start (May 20, 2024).



# 2ND ANNUAL ELKS REGALIA SWAP

JUNE 6TH - 9TH  
CAMROSE, AB

Please bring your lodge regalia to the Camrose Conference room on June 6th.

Remember to label your regalia with your lodge name.

Feel free to take any regalia that you or your lodge members need at no cost.

Any remaining regalia **MUST** be taken home with you.



# ELECTIONS ARE COMING!

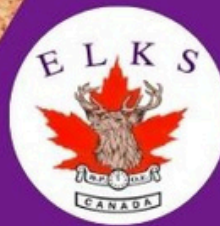
- Do you want to get more involved?
- Have you thought about joining the Alberta Elks Association or Alberta Elks Foundation Executive?
- Did you know that any member in good standing is eligible to run for a board position?

Elections for the Alberta Elks Foundation and Alberta Elk are happening June 7th at Conference.

Not coming to conference but still want to run? That's ok! Send a letter to the Alberta Elks Secretary to let your name stand!



Join  
Our  
Team!



## ELKS ALBERTA HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

The highway cleanup program is held on the first or second Saturday in May every year, weather permitting. All non-profit groups or clubs are encouraged to participate as a great fundraising opportunity.

Contact: To sign up for a highway cleanup program:  
Hours: 8:15 am to 4:30 pm (open Monday to Friday, closed statutory holidays)  
Toll free: [310-0000](tel:310-0000) before the phone number (in Alberta)  
Email: [trans.highwayoperations@gov.ab.ca](mailto:trans.highwayoperations@gov.ab.ca)  
For more information, contact the Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors District Office in your community.



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## Red Deer Elks



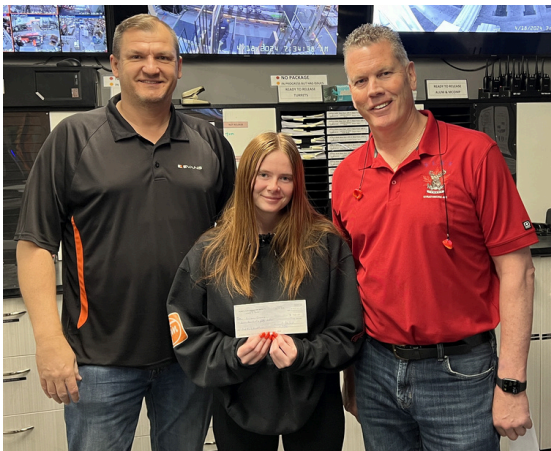
This generous donation from the Red Deer ELKs will make a significant impact on the care provided at the Red Deer Regional Hospital NICU unit. The new jaundice meter will help healthcare professionals monitor and treat newborns with jaundice more effectively, ensuring the well-being of the little ones in their care. This act of kindness exemplifies the spirit of community and support that makes a real difference in the lives of those in need. The Red Deer ELKs' contribution will undoubtedly be remembered and appreciated by the families and staff at the hospital for years to come.

## District 3



On April 6, members from District #3 convened at the Breton Community Centre for the Annual Spring District Meeting. In addition to addressing customary Elk matters, Diane Wilson, Orvitte Adie, and JoAnne Atherton from the Breton Royal Purple Elks graciously provided a delightful lunch, snacks, and treats. To conclude the event, District Deputy Sister Bev Monette awarded Sister Lynda Petten with her 40-year service pin.

## Alberta Elks Foundation Early Bird WINNERS!



Strathmore Elks Lodge 491, Bros. Istvan Szasz and Warren Randle present a \$750.00 cheque to Courtney Conway as an Early Bird Winner in the 55th Annual Alberta Elks Foundation Raffle.



Strathmore Elks Lodge 491, Brother Gus Cammer, presents a \$750.00 cheque to Gordon Morck of Strathmore as an Early Bird Winner in the 55th Annual Alberta Elks Foundation Raffle.



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# Stavely Elks



Stavely/Parkland 4-H kids will be receiving \$1500 for their awards banquet. Jordie Bronson, the Exalted Ruler, presented the award.

Burke Husted & Carlo Gillespie accepted \$500 for Stavely School's upcoming "Annual Leadership Day."

Elaine Watt received \$250 for the Youth Barrel Race at the upcoming Yellow Rose Futurity Derby.

# Breton Elks



The VIP Breakfast hosted by the Rimbey Hospital Legacy Committee raised approximately \$136,000.

The above image shows the cheque presentation from the Breton Elks Lodge at the event donating \$2,000.

Cheque presented by Breton Elks Lodge members President Ann McKellar-Gillis, Immediate Past President Bob Shave and National President Don Gillis.

**STAVELY ROYAL PURPLE ELKS**

# LoBster Fest

**SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024**  
 Cocktails at 5pm / Dinner at 7pm / DJ & Dance to Follow  
**Stavely Community Hall**  
**Tickets \$80 per person**  
**INCLUDES LOBSTER & PRIME RIB!**  
 Specialty Caesar Bar / GIANT Lobster Draw / Raffles

TICKET REQUIRED FOR ENTRANCE / LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE / AGES 5 & OVER REQUIRE A TICKET

Tickets Available at Claresholm Home Hardware, Cattlemen's Corner Nanton, Stavely Town Office and Stavely Hotel. CASH ONLY at these locations. Tickets can also be purchased by e-transfer to [stavelyroyalpurpleelks@gmail.com](mailto:stavelyroyalpurpleelks@gmail.com)

BEING AN ELK HAS HELPED ME WITH PUBLIC SPEAKING. WHEN I FIRST JOINED THE ELKS, I COULD NOT EVEN STAND UP AND DO ANYTHING ELSE BUT INTRODUCE MYSELF. MY MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT AS AN ELKS WAS BEING INSTALLED AS THE GRAND EXALTED RULER OF CANADA.

-Jim McLeod Sherwood Park, AB



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## WHO'S READY TO UP THEIR GAME!! JOIN SUNDRÉ ELKS IN THEIR MISSION TO MAKE THIS YEARS WALK FOR CHILDREN

May 11th in Sundre from 10am-2pm THE BEST EVER !!!

WE ARE EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO ALL LODGES TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR ALBERTA WIDE 50/50 CASH RAFFLE **WINNER COULD TAKE HOME UP TO \$10,000.00 CASH**

**DONATIONS CAN BE SENT TO THE ADDRESS BELOW**

CONTACT SUNDRÉ ELKS TO SIGN UP OR GET MORE INFO

Email [sundre338@gmail.com](mailto:sundre338@gmail.com)

Text/phone 5878970917 Barkley

Mail Sundre Elks Lodge #338 Box 773 Sundre, AB T0M 1X0

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/share/M2kQfNA7dntoGXpy/?mibextid=LQQJ4d>

WE ARE ALSO COLLECTING INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES AND HAVE AWARDS FOR TOP PLEDGE EARNERS

\$100-250 \$10 Gift card

\$250-500 \$25 Gift card


\$500-750 \$50 Gift card

\$750-1000 \$75 Gift card

\$1000-1250 \$100 Gift card

\$1250 and above Bluetooth headphones (\$150 Value)

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE ELKS AND ROYAL PURPLE FUND FOR CHILDREN.**



**HYTHE  
ELKS  
WALK FOR  
CHILDREN**

**MAY 11, 2024**

**REGISTRATION  
10:30AM**


WHERE: HYTHE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE

**SPONSORED BY:**  
**HYTHE ROYAL PURPLE ELKS 106  
& HYTHE ELKS 236**

**OUR CHARITY HAS RAISED OVER 1.6  
MILLION DOLLARS FOR CHILDREN  
ACROSS CANADA**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:**

**MEMBER CONTACT:** Denis Ellingboe  
**MEMBER PHONE #:** 780 882 1740



We are Making this a Family Affair!  
Get your  
Kids, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, in-laws even  
second cousin once removed!

**Come Join the Trenville Royal Purple  
Elks  
WALK FOR CHILDREN**

May 11th, 2024 at the Elnora Legion, Elnora Alberta  
Registration: 9:30 am. Adults \$10 per person  
Children age 6-14 \$5 per person  
Kids 5 and under free.  
Lunch is included with registration!  
Walk: 10 am. Lunch to follow.  
We have 50/50 and some great prizes to give away.

Pledge forms can be picked up at The Grocery Barn, Elnora,  
or by contracting one of our members, or  
email Loretta Fraser at [balesrus@hotmail.com](mailto:balesrus@hotmail.com)

Donations can be made by e-transfer [trenvillerp@gmail.com](mailto:trenvillerp@gmail.com)

If you cannot participate, please consider a donation to  
support the FUNDS for CHILDREN. Receipts for \$20 or  
more will be issued from our National Lodge.

For more information contact: Loretta Fraser @ 403-442-2389  
Marilyn Rich @ 403-789-7989 Lynn Williams @ 403-350-1156

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ELKS AND ROYAL PURPLE  
FUND FOR CHILDREN**



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# Pin Night



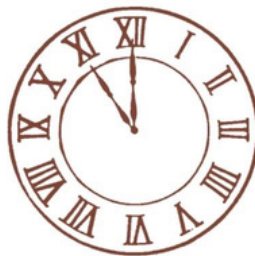
Alberta Elk's President James Zimmer (R) presenting long service awards to Neil Morrow (L) 30 years, Ron Senft (C) 50 years, Joe Scheible (R) 45 years of the Stettler Elk's.

some people wait  
their whole lives to  
meet their heroes...  
i already know mine...



ELKS OF  
CANADA  
EST. 1912

With sadness we share with you the following



*"It is the hour of eleven when all Elks cease from their labours and again renew within their hearts their obligations to each other with special regard to our absent and departed Members"*



Brother John Zeinstra  
Picture Butte Elks  
April 23, 2024



Brother Laverne Ahlstom  
Leslieville Elks  
April 12, 2024



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