

# Nevada State

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# Elks Association

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Kenneth N Catlin Jr, President.  
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SDGER Jim, NSEA Officers, Visiting Dignitaries, Members All;

This is my final report to you as your State President. Since our last convention Sue and I finished all of our lodge visitations. The duty of the State President to visit every lodge in Nevada is probably the most arduous and the most rewarding duty assigned. I have found each lodge to be unique in the way they approach Elksdom. Every lodge endeavors to improve their lodge and our organization. This is the end of the old year and the start of the new year. Let us work harder to improve all aspects of Elksdom, Membership, ENF, Smp, and ritual. Support your lodge officers and of course the State Officers. I complement all of you on the hard work and dedication you have demonstrated this last year. I know I'm leaving a lot out but again let me say I'm proud to be a Elk and Thank you for being my Friend.

Fraternally

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth N Catlin Jr".

Kenneth N Catlin Jr. PER, PDDGER.  
NSEA President



Frank M. Reynolds III

Flag Day Chairman

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April 16, 2016

Vice-President Pressler, Distinguished Guests and Members,

This report is to inform you of the Flag Day activities for the Great State of Nevada Lodges.

Elks Involved	563	Elk Hours	3,371
Non-Elk Involves	351	Non-Elk Hours	1,361
Miles Traveled	6,458	Dollars Contributed	\$3,486.00
Number of People Reached	20,667		

These numbers are for the eleven lodges that made a report to me and thank them for that. Exalted Rulers and Secretaries, please double check with your committee heads to make sure your lodge activities are being reported and recorded so you get the credit due.

Vice-President Pressler, thank you for letting me serve the Nevada State Elks Association.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank M. Reynolds III  
NSEA Flag Day Chairman



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President Catlin, Distinguished Guests and Members,

This report is to inform you of the activities of the Nevada State Elks Association Americanism Committee. With the information provided to me, the following are the numbers incurred:

Elks Involved	2,074	Elk Hours	14,378
Non-Elk Involves	2,354	Non-Elk Hours	4,979
Miles Traveled	4,817	Dollars Contributed	\$6,162.00
Number of People Reached	22,420		

As for the activities, they included but are not limited to the following: Americanism Essay Contest, American Flag presentations to Scout Troops, Naturalization Ceremonies of new American citizens, Participating in Parades, Flag Day and Flag Retirement Ceremonies and Law and Order Programs.

These are the numbers and activities for the lodges that submitted reports, which was half of the lodges in Nevada reporting. This means that these numbers should be double of what I just reported. I know all of the lodges do activities, so Exalted Rulers please make sure your committee chairs and/or your Secretaries keep track and report.

As for my hours, for the first half of the Fraternal year 2015-2016, I have contributed 96 hours and 58 miles. The Grand Lodge Americanism Essay Contest theme was "What I Can do to Promote Americanism and Love of Country" and unfortunately, we only had five lodges submit essays with the top winner in each division being forwarded to the national level. Thank you to Reno, Ely, Pahrump, Mesquite and Laughlin for participating in the contest.

President Catlin, thank you for letting me serve the Nevada State Elks Association.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank M. Reynolds III  
NSEA Americanism Chairman

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NSEA 3 Year Trustee*

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March 20, 2016

NSEA President Ken Catlin

Subject: NSEA Internal Review of accounting records

As prescribed by Article VII, Section 5 (d) of the NSEA By-Laws, I performed an Internal Review of NSEA's accounting records on Sunday, March 20, 2016. The purpose of this review is to strengthen our Association's internal controls.

I reviewed all of the monthly bank reconciliations for the General Fund, Charity Fund, and Special Fund and determined that the reconciliations were properly prepared and were done monthly.

Because of the large number of transactions, I decided to sample the deposits and disbursements and traced them to the support documentation. This procedure showed that these tested transactions were coded properly and the documentation was appropriate.

I also reviewed all year-to-date account balances and determined that the total amounts were within the budgeted amounts for the three funds.

It is my opinion that Nevada State Elks Association accounting records are being properly maintained and appropriately reflect our financial position.

This concludes my internal review report.

Fraternaly yours,

Dan Wells, 3<sup>rd</sup> Year NSEA Trustee

cc: Jim Shirkey, SDGER; Ted Balash, Advisory Council; BOT Chairman; Al Bye, NSEA Treasurer



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April 16, 2016

SUBJECT: REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

I am happy to report that this committee has no actions pending. I have been notified of a change submitted by Al Bye, but it was not submitted within the 60 day period necessary for this committee to act. Anyone with concerns or suggestions should get in touch with me, preferably in writing and must be received 60 days in advance of our next convention.

Thank you President Ken.

Fraternally submitted,

(signed) *Gene*

Eugene S. Presnell, PSP  
Chairman, Committee on Laws

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## NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION

### State Convention report

April 16<sup>th</sup>. 2016

Good morning President Ken Catlin, Honored Guest and Members all. This is my report for Elks National Foundation.

I have great news every lodge in the state of Nevada met the GER'S Goal of \$4.65 per capita. The lowest was \$6.41 and the highest was \$42.33 per capita. I want to thank all the lodges for doing a great job.

The NSEA have given \$82,626.41 that's <sup>16.585</sup> ~~\$14.651~~ per capita. You have all arose to the challenge and made the Elks of Nevada proud. Nationally the Elks gave \$8.130 per capita

We had 14 lodges that were compliance eligible for grants, out of the 14 lodges 7 lodges received the Gratitude Grants 9 lodges were approved to receive the bonus and 4 lodges did receive the \$2500 grant. Four lodges were approved for the Promise Grant and all four received the \$2500. Nine lodges were approved for the \$2000 Beacon Grant and one lodge for the Impact Grant. The total dollar amount of Grants for our lodges was \$51,500.00. Laughlin lodge received the highest amount of grants for \$14,500.00

Nationally the state of Nevada is in 1st place with \$16.585 per capita and Texas is in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 15.962 per capita and 3<sup>rd</sup> place is South Carolina 14.541 per capita.

BPOE online has a list of some of our lodges that gave to ENF on the front page.

This concludes my report.

LeRoy Olson, PER

NSEA-Elks National Foundation Chairman

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GL Housing Chairman



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State President Ken,

16 April 2016

The following is the summary of the Grand Lodge Housing and Hospitality Committee. In December we traveled to Houston to check out the hotel and surrounding area. The hotel is the Houston Hyatt Regency Downtown located at 1200 Louisiana Street. The cost is \$131.04 a night. There are king, two queen, and ADA compatible rooms. It is a fully non-smoking hotel. The hotel is located 14 blocks from the convention center. Shuttles will be provided to and from the convention center and the other hotels.

At the hotel there is a Shula's steakhouse restaurant, a Spindletop Seafood restaurant, an Einstein Bagels, a workout room, a lobby bar, and a small outdoor pool. Refrigerators are available in the rooms. The parking garage is attached and is valet parking only. Parking cost is \$34 plus tax a night and various prices for self-park for 24 hour periods.

Transportation to and from the airports is mainly taxi. There are no hotel shuttles. There is super shuttle that needs 24 hour advanced notice, but if you plan ahead and get a group of people the cost is cheaper. There are pedi-cabs in the area for local transportation, but they are at a premium because of small numbers. There is a hotel shuttle that will take you around downtown Houston. There is a tram system within walking distance that will take you farther out from the hotel.

The Southwest dinner is on Tuesday night, and tickets are available through me for \$50 a person. The state dinner is on Monday night in the hospitality room. At present, this dinner will be a local favorite of chicken and beef fajitas.

There is a wide variety of restaurants and bars within walking distance from the hotel. These restaurants range from carryout to high end steak houses. There is a 7-mile tunnel system connected to the hotel that is open only during the weekdays. Shopping and dining are available within the tunnel system. There are several tourist attractions within walking distance or on the tram system.

Fraternally,

Ross Dyer, PER, Housing Chair



# NEVADA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION

President - Ken Catlin

LODGE OF THE YEAR

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16-Apr-16

President Ken

The Lodge of the Year Committee presented the 2014-2015 Lodge of the Year plaque to the Reno Lodge last November at the mid winter meeting.

Calculations for the 2015-2016 Lodge of the Year will be calculated within the next few months and I will make the presentation at the Mid-Winter meeting in November.

As in previous years, I will be contacting the Lodges for information. If the Lodges do not respond, I will be forced to input zero points for each category omitted.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Nevada State Elks Association and will continue to serve until my services are no longer needed.

Fraternally

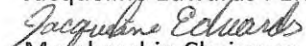
*Feryl Fitzgerald* PDDGER  
Lodge of the Year Chairman

Membership report for 2015/2016

We had an increase of 137 members which could change as the Grand has offered a 60 day clemency on members who were dropped for failed to pay Dues on time providing they pay for last year and this years with-in the 60 day grace period.

This may change out ending numbers

Jacqueline Edwards PER

  
Membership Chairman

Pete Urdiales Jr.  
Nevada State Elk Veteran Chairman

April 2, 2016

Members:

I am proud to report that the VAVS Reps of the North and Southern Nevada are doing a Great job.

As for Boulder City, we now have a VAVS Rep to take the duties at the Veterans Home In Boulder City. His name is Tim Murray, PER of Boulder City Elk Lodge. Currently, he Volunteers to help on Bingo Nite.

ER, do give your Veteran Chairman a handshake for doing a great job in your Lodge. I hear of all the things being done, and the results amaze me.

So from me, "Thank you Lodge Veteran Chairman."

I want to "Thank you Elks of the NSEA", for the privilege of serving as your State Veteran Chairman. It taught me more about Elkdom - plus the the best of making New friendships with Elks North and South.

Take care and God Bless All of You.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pete Urdiales Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Pete Urdiales Jr.  
NSEA Veteran Chairman

cc: Grillo  
Catlin  
Wiseman

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April 16, 2016

## NSEA ADOPT-A-VET REPORT

I have received six Adopt-a-Vet reports out of sixteen Lodges.

Number of Veterans Adopted:	1,440	Number of Veterans Visited:	580
Number of Elks:	160	Number of Non-Elks:	378
Number of Elk Hours:	18,806	Number of Non-Elks Hours:	3,945
Number of Elks Miles:	36,313	Number of Non-Elks Miles:	1,840
Total Monies Contributed:	\$5,110.58	Value of Items Contributed:	\$ 460

Comments: Helped a disabled Vet relocate from Tahoe Douglas Lodge to Las Vegas; visited a Vet recovering from a stroke. Held fundraisers, Great Basin Lodge looking to interact with Vets at the Great Basin College Vet Center; Mesquite Elks made 298 trips to the VA Center in North Las Vegas.

Fraternally yours,

Russ Childers, PDDGER  
NSEA Adopt-a-Vet Chairman

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## Vets Hospital Rep South Report

April 16, 2016

I have attended all quarterly VAVS, including the Executive Board and the monthly Commanders meeting. On January 4, 2016, I met the new VA Hospital Director, Ms. Peggy Kearn and look forward to working with her.

On January 20, 2016, I met with a Ms. Marianne Revay. She represents a group of ladies called "Soldiers Angels". These lady volunteers provide a cart of items for the patients in the VA Hospital. Items include, diabetic socks, deodorant, tooth paste, soap, shampoo, books, puzzles and other necessities. Ms. Revay requested help with purchasing some of these items. I provided her with funds from my account.

On January 22, 2016, NSEA Vets Chairman, Pete Urdiales, Jr. and I drove to Laughlin Nevada to bring much needed supplies to the new VA Clinic there. Supplies included bottled water, juice and snacks. Laughlin Lodge has been supplying water to the Clinic. The Clinic especially needs water in the summer months. I intend to address the issue of supplies at my Annual Joint Review this month with the Chief of Volunteer Services. I made this trip again with supplies on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

On January 29<sup>th</sup>, a ground breaking ceremony was held for the Pahrump VA Clinic. It is expected to open late this fall.

The covered parking is complete at the VA Hospital in North Las Vegas and they are now installing Solar panels on the roofs. This will take the Hospital off of the NV Energy grid, five hours a day, and save \$200 to \$300,000 a year. VA also is self-sustaining on their supply of water. They have huge water storage containers. Plans for the future of Hospitals are to have a fee-based RV park on the campus.

All pharmacies at the VA Clinic have been closed and the space is being utilized for medical staff. Pahrump and Laughlin will not have pharmacies. The VA has contracts with local pharmacies, including the Las Vegas area. The pharmacy at the VA Hospital will now be open seven days a week.

Fraternally,

Russ Childers, PDDGER  
Vice Chairman (S) of National Vet Service



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VA Carson Valley  
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VA Lahontan Valley  
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(775) 428-6161 or  
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Winnemucca Outreach  
Clinic  
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Winnemucca, NV 89445  
(775) 623-9575

VA Diamond View  
Outpatient Clinic  
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Susanville, CA 96130  
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February 8, 2016

In Reply Refer to: 654/00

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
C/o Ted Balash, VAVS, BPOE Representative  
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Dear Elks Members:

On behalf of all the Veterans we care for at the Ioannis A. Lougaris Medical Center, a division of the VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System (VASNHCS), I would like to thank you for your kind donation.

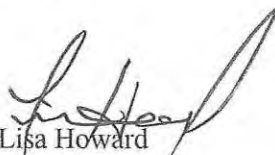
Check #1305 in the amount of \$3100.00 was deposited into General Post Funds (GPF) 9906 and 9913. GPF 9906 is used for other purchases not covered by any other account for the welfare and benefit of our Veteran patients. GPF 9913 is used to fund programs/activities for such events as Golden Age Games (GAG), National Winter Sports Clinic, National Creative Arts Festival, POW/MIA Day, Women Veteran activities, National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans, Veterans Day, Christmas holiday activities, etc. for the hospital/CLC Veterans.

Your donation was used to purchase 6 new wheelchairs, 17 oxygen tank holders, 100 earbuds for Veterans receiving chemotherapy treatment, transportation and lodging for a Veteran participating in the 2016 Winter Sports Clinic in Snowmass, CO.

We pride ourselves on the quality of medical care provided at our facility and it is through generous donations such as this that the quality of life is improved for Veterans being cared for at the Reno VA Medical Center.

Thank you again for your interest in and support of our nation's Veterans.

Sincerely,

  
Lisa Howard  
Director

Enclosure: FSR 16853598

*In accordance with IRS regulations regarding donations, it is understood that such donations are unrestricted and the donor has received no goods or services by VA in consideration in whole or in part for the contribution.*

**Providing World Class Care and Service to America's Heroes**

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## USO Chairman Report


April 16, 2016

President Elect Bill Wiseman recently asked me to fill the USO Chair due to Larry O'Laughlin stepping down. Recently the USO celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. During the celebration in February, I presented a \$5,000 check to the USO from the NSEA to Tim Mullen, Director at the USO. The USO is completely funded by donations and they were very pleased with our contribution.

The USO is looking to hire two new staff members to be based at Nellis Air Force base. Their jobs will be to get tied into the Veterans' community to see what resources are available and to help transition troops when they get out.

USO.org has job listings and they can also use volunteers. As a USO volunteer at McCarran, I was recently presented my 600 hour Volunteer pin.

Fraternally,

  
Russ Childers  
USO Chairman for NSEA

# Nevada State



# Elks Association

April 16, 2016

TO: NSEA President Ken,

SUBJ: Vets Hospital – Nevada North

In November, 2015, the Elks National Service Commission Account for Nevada North, had \$18,906.15 in the checking account. Since then the account has received funds totaling \$8,150.00 from Elks National Veterans Service Commission in monthly deposits and \$7,500.00 ENF Funds from the NSEA. My expenses totaled \$3,300.00. The details are: \$3,100.00 was used to purchase 6 new Wheelchairs and 17 Oxygen Tank Holders for the Reno VA Hospital also 100 Ear Buds for the Vets receiving Chemo treatments and to Sponsor a Veteran with disability attending the Winter Sports Clinic in Snowmass, Colorado. An additional \$200.00 was used to sponsor 4 Summer Youth Volunteers that volunteer their time to assist with various duties at the Reno VA Hospital. The total in the account as of this date is: \$23,756.15

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 December and March at the VA Hospital. Our Annual Review with the Volunteer Service Director is to be completed April 26, 2016.

Sincerely & Fraternally,

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New Lodge Chairman*

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April 14, 2016

President Ken, Honored Guests and Members All

New Lodge Committee Report

I am sad to report that the committee has not been able to locate a community with enough interest to begin the process of starting a new lodge.

I am also sad to report that due to work commitments I will not be able to continue as the New Lodge Chairman.

Fraternally,

Mary Wells, PER  
New Lodge Chairman





# Nevada State Elks Association

April 16, 2016

## DIRECTORY REPORT

President Ken

Distinguish Guest

Members all

I will make this short and sweet.

For the first time in the 24 years I have been doing the State directory I can report it is basically done at convention time.

As of this morning I have turned in \$2,449.00 to the Treasurer and have about another \$1,000.00 to collect. We are basically at the breakeven point and should end up with a small profit.

I will be in Oregon next week and as soon as I get back I will go to press. Directory will, hopefully, be mailed first part of May.

I want to thank all of you that have completed all those forms and got them to me in timely fashion. You make my job so much easier.

Fraternally

Gary Ferguson, PSP

NSEA Directory Chairman

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Nevada State Elks Association  
Ken Catlin, President

Nevada State Elks Association  
William "Bill" Bohnett, Gov't Relations

April, 15, 2015

Fellow Members and Distinguished Guests:

Last October, I was privileged to be invited to the Annual Government Relations Seminar in Chicago. There I was introduced to the reasons why this great committee was recently reinstated as a statutory committee in Elksdom. There I was enlightened and found out why Government Relations is so important!

Years ago our membership numbers alone made an excellent political statement. Now, this is obviously not the case. We need to show our legislators and elected officials that the good we do needs to be recognized, appreciated, and influential. This is done by accurately gathering the time spent laboring as volunteers in all of our charitable works. The numbers say a lot... And have the power to turn heads! With that said, I am pleased to state that every lodge in our great state have reported these numbers to the State Secretary! Great job! But, I have no doubt our numbers are lean. There are so many things our organization and local lodges do for our communities that are appreciated and welcomed, but often the time, and mileage spent is reported lean or not at all. I have last year's totals here with me. I ask each ER or representative pick up a copy of this report at the end of the meeting and take this information back your lodge and share, publish, and use this information to excite those who need to better understand the work of our great Order and its great works!

You state chairman. I'm talking to the Hoop Shoot, Scholarship, Veterans, Youth Activities, Major Project, any committee who has multiple committee members. You all need to gather these hours and send this information to me! I will need it before mid-March. This is vital information, and you are required to provide this information as a requirement of your obligation.

Finally... I have newfound appreciation for Government Relations, and wish to thank President Ken Catlin for this initial appointment, and Bill Wiseman for allowing me to continue in this fraternal year.

Fraternally,

William "Bill" Bohnett, PDDGER  
NSEA Government Relations Chairman

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## 2016 NSEA CONVENTION REPORT

April 16, 2016,

Total number of Registration Packets and Elks Registered = 165  
Total number of rooms at the Plaza reserved under "NSEA Elks" = 91  
Total number of meals both at the Lodge & Plaza = 969  
Total number of Ritual Teams performing from Nevada = 7  
Total number Elks from the Host Lodge Volunteers = 28  
Total number of other lodge Elks Volunteers = 10  
Total number of Non-Elks = 15  
Total number of Hosted Elks and Non-Elks = 19  
Approximate total dollar value of vendor product donations = \$2500  
Approximate total volunteer hours by Elks & Non-Elks will be over 500

Since our totals are not in yet, and as I intend to share this information with the Exalted Ruler and my committee first, I can only give you the following cost estimates as of today:

As of this week... Total cost of all food, beverage, complimentary housing & meals, and convention events = \$28,500. As of this week... Total income to date = \$31,000. These numbers are before our Lodge Bar receipts. (... and the check promised to us from the State Treasurer ) "joke"

This is North Las Vegas' second convention we've hosted in less than 10 years. On behalf of my Exalted Ruler, my committee, all the volunteers involved, and our Lodge, we all hope you are enjoying your stay, and the convention... We were ready for this, and willing and able to entertain hosting again in the future if we're asked once again!

Speaking as Convention Chairman, I am so proud of all who worked so many hours and the detailed efforts they performed to make hosting this convention fun and fulfilling. My wife Sue Ellen and her minions, my co-chairman and ER Bob "Hellboy" Carroll, Lodge Secretary Dom Buffamonte and his wife Sue, District Deputy George Montgomery and wife Pauline, our Lodge Officers, The Plaza staff, along with the guidance of the North Las Vegas Emblem Club, were most accommodating, and they were fully understanding of what we are wanting to accomplish. Being the chairman, I needed everyone working to "own" their jobs... And not only did they own them... They excelled way beyond my wishes. I cannot thank all of you enough!

William "Bill" Bohnett PDDGER  
NSEA Convention Chairman

# Nevada State



# Elks Association

## State Major Project Report

April 16, 2015

TO: State President Ken,

As of April 4, 2016 there was a total of \$1,062,566.90 in the State Major Project accounts at Wells Fargo Securities Inc (includes cash, annuities, bonds, mutual funds and equities). The Quarterly (\$15,000.00) Payments for October through December 2015 and (\$17,500.00) January through March 2016 have been paid to Nevada Division of Child & Family Services. Additionally, the Fidelity Insurance Payment of \$558.00, a purchase of Blue Vests of \$1,865.71 and the Officers Listing to the Secretary of State for \$50.00 have been made.

Sincerely,

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Mr. President, Honored Guests and Members All:

This is the final report of the NSEA State Major Project Board of Directors for the fraternal year 2015-2016. The Board met at its regular session Friday afternoon. All members except Resident Agent Jim Shirkey were present. The minutes of our session at the Mid-Term meeting in Reno were accepted as corrected. The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

General business for the Board for the year included the order and receipt of 100 new blue vests to refill the various sizes needed for the membership. All sizes of the new vests will be available at the SMP Luncheon later today. The new vests are decorated with 16 stars, highlighting the 16 Lodges that make up the Nevada State Elks Association.

In addition to the new vests, a good supply of blue pig banks are available state wide. Reno Lodge, Hawthorne Lodge and Las Vegas Lodge have extra blue pigs available for other lodges in the state. The Board approved an increase of funding for the State Department of Family Services from \$60,000 annually to \$70,000. That increase was approved by the State Association membership at the business session in Reno this past November.

All records and financial statements are prepared and ready for the annual audit. The Board has had an active year and our commitment to the Youth of Nevada has never been stronger. With your continued hard work and support, the State Major Project will continue to aid and assist the youth of Nevada.

This completes the final report for the NSEA State Major Project.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Lund, Chairman

NSEA State Major Project

**Debbie Oskin, P.E.R.**  
**Vice-Chair**  
**Accident Prevention**  
**and Insurance Risk**  
**Nevada State Elks Association**

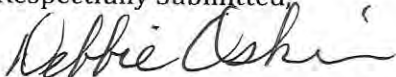
April 15, 2016

President Catlin, President Elect Wiseman, Dignitaries and Members All,

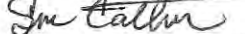
On behalf of Sue Catlin, PER, Accident Prevention and Insurance Risk Chair and Distinguished NSEA First Lady I would like to give this report:

- Out of 16 Lodges in Nevada, we received reports from the following nine (9) Lodges: Fallon #2239, Great Basin, #1472, Henderson/ Green Valley #2802, Las Vegas #1468, Laughlin #2872, Mesquite #2811, North Las Vegas #2353, Reno #597 and Sparks #2397.
- We did not receive reports from the following seven (7) Lodges: Boulder City #1682, Carson City #2177, Ely #1469, Hawthorne #1704, Pahrump #2796, Tahoe/Douglas #2670 and Tonopah #1062.
- Out of the nine (9) Lodges reporting there was one reportable accident this year at the Reno Lodge where an elderly member using a walker fell in the lobby and hit his head. The man is believed to be recovered at this time.
- Again, we would like to remind you that the Grand Lodge requests that each Local Lodge has an Accident Prevention Manager within the Lodge. It is the Manager's responsibility to perform Lodge Self-Inspections, Safety Inspections and complete and submit accident reports if required. It is requested that the Lodges be sure to keep the Accident Prevention/Insurance Risk Chairperson updated as to the name and contact information of the Manager so that all current information can be sent to Lodges as needed.
- Please remember the importance of reporting. With the NSEA website the process of reporting is easy for the Chairperson to keep up with the information,
- I would like to thank Chairperson Sue Catlin for allowing me the opportunity to assist her in making this report. Let's strive to make 2016-17 an accident free year!

Respectfully Submitted,



Debbie Oskin, P.E.R., Vice Chair

For: Sue Catlin, PER   
Accident Prevention and Insurance Risk Chair



*Elks Care - Elks Share*

Donna Kealoha  
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## **N.S.E.A. Blue Pig Annual Report**

Mr. President, Officers and Members,

It is my pleasure to deliver the N.S.E.A. Blue Pig Annual Report.

As the Nevada State Elks Project, Project Safe Haven, we Elks continue to raise funds that provide emergency shelter and care for our battered and abused children.

- 10 Lodges have reported
- 10 lodges held events
- In addition to sponsoring a Blue Pig Piggy Bank Call throughout the year many Lodges held dinners, ice cream socials, raffles, and breakfasts. The Emblem Club #114 of Las Vegas donated \$1,000 to the Las Vegas Lodge #1468 for State Major Project and has

been sponsoring State Major Project for 18 years with a total of \$18,000 donated to this date.

- 1 lodge reported they do not have a chairperson at this time, but held several events and submitted their report. Thank you.
- At Mid-Term our lodges had raised \$8,875.82. I am honored to report the final total raised for the 2015-2016 year is \$19,999.92.

I thank you for your timely reports and your ongoing support of Project Safe Haven.

If any Lodge needs additional piggy banks please contact me.

Fraternally,  
Donna Kealoha  
N.S.E.A. Blue Pig Chairman  
2330 Jack Pine Way  
Las Vegas, NV 89108

April 16, 2016

## NSEA Community Activities Report

I only received reports from 6 lodges, pretty sad.

# of Activities held 241

# of Elks 764

Elk Hours 13,197

Elk Miles 25,750

# of People reached 40,919

# of Successful Activities 235

# of Non Elks 1178

Non Elk Hours 10,289

Non Elk Miles 17,676

Public relation events 44

Some of the events held were; Community clean ups, Armed Forces Ceremonies, ice cream social, garage sales, youth festivals, Veterans health fairs, Golf Fore Kids, Boys and Girls Clubs, Food Baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas, Town Fest and Parade, Laughlin Fall Festival, Shop with a Cop and Law and Order luncheons.

Just think how these numbers would look if all 16 lodges had reported.

Congratulations and Thank You to the participating lodges and especially thanks for submitting your reports online.

Sincerely,

Don P. Wolf,  
PER, PDDGER  
NSEA Community Activities Chairman

# Nevada State Elks Association

*Richard "Rick" Stone*  
*Drug Awareness Chairman*  
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President Ken, Distinguished Guests and Elks;

My first year as Drug Awareness Chairman was spent learning the duties for this position; there is a lot to still learn. I attempted to contact all of the chairpersons or the Exalted Rulers to get their Lodge active in the Drug Awareness Program. However only 10 out of the 16 Lodges participated in the program and reported on those activities. Thank you to those Lodges and especially their chairperson. I worked with President Elect Bill Wiseman on the review of the State Drug Awareness Manual. The next item I would like to accomplish is having a calendar on the state web site for the two DAP Trailers. We need to get them out in the communities more. The future of this great nation is going to be in the hands of our youth, we must educate them that drugs are dangerous and can lead to death. They cannot learn from trial and error as that will be too late.

This year the Lodges that did participate in the program posted the following numbers: 57 events with 408 Elks and 1074 non-Elks. There were 2483.5 Elk hours and 4689.5 non-Elk hours and 4890 Elk miles and 16,542 non-Elk miles. 18,270 people reached and 24,844 pieces of literature and material handed out. The trailers were used 12 times and 18 appearances by Elroy. We also had 38 public relation articles.

I purchased 25 soccer balls for Mesquite's soccer shoot and 25 soccer balls for Tahoe Douglas. I also purchased 100 mini basketballs for this falls hoop shoot, each Lodge will receive 6 balls to hand out to your hoop shoot winners.

President Ken, thank you for this opportunity to make a difference.

Faternally,

Rick Stone, PER  
NSEA Drug Awareness Chairman

Robert Kent Wofford  
Exalted Ruler



David L. Wilson  
Lodge Secretary

**Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks**  
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Mr. William Wiseman  
President Elect  
NSEA

April 16, 2016

President Elect Bill,

I am happy to announce that we had a successful 2015-2016 Hoop Shoot season.

Unfortunately Nevada did not have a shooter advance to the Nationals this year which is being held in Chicago as I speak. We did have a second place shooter in the Regionals. Tyree Bruce representing the North Las Vegas Lodge, lost by one basket after seven rounds of shoot offs.

Nevada was the first State in the Nation to complete the on-line reports to the National Director. This was the second year in a row to be first in the Nation to achieve this. Awesome job!

All 16 lodges participated in this program. The State had a total of 253 shooters. We are following a National trend, in that local participation is declining. This can be improved by more local advertising, along with coordination with the schools. Many local contest this year were held while schools were in basketball season, and/or attending school events. Local contest do not have to coincide with basketball season. I encourage all local Directors to communicate with your schools to eliminate "bad" dates.

I am happy to announce the District Directors for the 2016-2017 season.

Mr. Al Babb from the Reno Lodge will be the North Director  
Mr. Chuck Coleman the from Pahrump Lodge will be the South Director  
Mr. Ken Curto from the Ely Lodge will be the Central Director

I look forward to working will you all. I would like to personally thank Mr. Ron Welsh for many successful years as the South District Director. You consistently ran one of the best District contest in Area 7. Thank you Ron!

In closing I would like to extend my thanks to all that are involved in this great program.

Fraternaly,

Steve McBride, PER  
Nevada State  
Hoop Shoot Director

# Nevada State



# Elks Association

Toni Wendt, PER  
MVS & Vocational Grant Chairman  
1408 Sally Lane  
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April 8, 2016

To: President - Ken Catlin  
President Elect - Bill Wiseman  
Distinguish Guests  
Members All

This report is of April 1st, 2016, for the Most Valuable Student Scholarship and Vocational Grant distributions for term ~~2016-2017~~ <sup>2015-2016</sup>.

I am pleased to announce that with the assistance of Bill Wiseman, <sup>President Elect</sup> the top seven (7) applications sent to Grand Lodge are from Great Basin, Henderson/Green Valley, Pahrump, Reno, Tahoe/Douglas.

There are nineteen (19) Nevada High School Seniors that will receive the Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship when they start college in the fall. They are from Boulder City, Carson City, Ely, Great Basin, Henderson/Green Valley, Mesquite, Pahrump, Reno, Tahoe/Douglas. <sup>for a total of \$25,500.</sup>

No Vocational Grant applications were submitted at the State Level.

I would like to remind all lodges and their MVS and Vocational Grant chairmen to please ensure that you sign all applications before summitting them to the District and State levels. ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~

This being my final report, I want to thank all of you for ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ supporting me during the three (3) years that I was the Nevada State and Vocational Grant chairman.

Fraternally,

*Toni Wendt, PER, ER*  
Toni Wendt, PER

Most Valuable Student Scholarship  
and Vocational Grant Chairman



A Fraternal Organization

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I would like to thank the members who have contributed to the news letter and the lodges who send their lodge news letter each month. Every lodge has a budget and within this budget is big events you know are going to happen, these are the events you want to share. A save the date page showing upcoming big events for each month thru out the year. This could be a valuable tool for not only the NSEA newsletter but also other lodges who may have members who are planning a getaway and may be able to participate while in town. The Newsletter comes out quarterly so look ahead at your calendars and see what's coming up that you could share.

The NSEA Newsletter is informative and a form of communication. What lodge does not like to see their name in print. We can donate money and endless volunteer hours on great projects and events, why not share those upcoming events and let everyone share them with you. share your accomplishments and upcoming events send your information to myself or Don Coleman -- Now not everything may be printed but you will not know unless you try. One thing I have learned and still working on myself is it is ok to brag. Next release will be the end of April 2016

Thank you

Kathleen Hoss

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NSEA Newsletter Editor

President Ken, Honored guests members all,

To my friend Ken, I want to thank you and the past few Presidents for allowing me to serve as the NSEA Public Relations Chairman for the past few years. It has been a great ride, but it's time to move on. The state of Public Relations in Nevada is still good, but the problem in reporting the good work of the Lodges state wide could use major improvement. When the Grand Lodge cut back on public relations, I approached President Dee Boskie about a new program to honor lodges for their work promoting their lodges hoping it would stimulate this effort. We created the Silver State Public Relations Contest three years ago. When we were using the old method of reporting based on points about 45% of the lodges reported. The new contest format insured P.R. success for the lodges utilizing it as their calendar of events. We know the lodges are performing at least 90 % of the contest requirements but fail to report. My final recommendation as P.R. Chairman is to return to the old reporting format.

The Grand Lodge recreated Public Relations two years ago and named Oren Richardson of California as Area 7 P.R. Chairman. Oren requires the old format of reporting to gather information. I suggest that the new NSEA P.R. Chairman contact Oren for updates to the form. I do have the form on my computer and will share with the incoming chairman.

Finally, I would like to make special mention of Ely, Sparks, Tahoe-Douglas<sup>Fallon, Reno</sup> and Mesquite Lodges for their 100 % efforts in reporting to this chair. President Ken, this is my final report.

Fraternally Yours,

Louis G Martin



Public Relations Chairman

NSEA



Nevada State Elks Association  
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April 16, 2016

Ritual Report:

On behalf of the Nevada State Ritual Committee, I would like to thank the seven teams that competed in our ritual contest this past week. I hope that in the future, we can increase the competition and one day have all 16 lodges enter the contest. The awards for this years contest will be presented this evening at the awards banquet.

On another note, we are looking for more judges. We will be holding a clinic in Tonopah in October, not only to certify judges but also to offer excellent advice from knowledgeable judges and coaches.

Lastly, I would like to thank our Floor Judges for this past week: Ken Curto, Feryl Fitzgerald, Derik Cecil and Phil Otterback, our Word Judges: Jake Thiesing and Dave Wilson and our Calculators: Gary Ferguson, Gene Presnell and Shaaron Snead. *& ROGER RAND WHO WORKED THE DOOR AS INNER GUARD & TILER*

Dom Buffamonte  
NSEA Ritual Chairman.

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# Elks Association

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April 16, 2018

President Ken, President-elect Bill, Distinguished Guests, members all,

This is my Final Youth Activities Report for Lodge year 2015-2016. I want to thank the eleven Lodges that have reported their activities to me. Those Lodges are Tahoe/Douglas, Boulder City, Reno, Sparks, Great Basin, Fallon, Ely, North Las Vegas, Laughlin, Mesquite, and Henderson-Green Valley.

The numbers are:

Elk hours	5005
Non-Elk hours	1462
Total miles traveled	6434
Dollars spent	\$10,447.42
Participants reached	13986

This concludes my report.

Fraternally,

Gary Wendt, PER

NSEA Youth Activities Chairman



# Nevada State



# Elks Association

*William Wiseman, PDDGER  
NSEA President-Elect  
NSEA Business Practices  
NSEA Web Master*

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April 16, 201~~6~~

President Ken Catlin, Distinguished Guest and Members

My report will cover NSEA President-Elect, Business Practices, and Web Master. I have chosen to combine the reports because frequently the duties have crossed over each other. So needless to say this year has been busy.

**First, as President-Elect and Web Master:** President Ken Catlin and I have ~~been~~ worked closely at resolving issues as they came up. ~~I'm using~~ <sup>I used</sup> this information to help establish my goals for the coming year. I have accompanied President Ken Catlin on each of his visits to the Southern Lodges. In addition to this I have visited all nine of the Southern District Lodges and two Northern District Lodges over the year. Twenty new questions were added to the Elks Training section of the State Web Site with the assistance of VP Dave Pressler. All questions now carry a HINT link to help you in locating the correct answer. Once again we have encouraged the Lodges to use the committee reporting system provided on the website to file their reports to the State Committee Chairs. We had thirteen Lodges use the system, submitting a total of over ninety reports. There were four Lodges using the reporting system exclusively. The committee chairs encouraging the Lodge to use the system received the greatest response from the participating Lodges.

The State Website has been given a complete facelift. With the changes we have now gone over 20,000 hits and over 45,000 page viewings on the site. That is 35% increase in usage over the past year. Through use of the e-mail notification system we are reaching over of 450 members. With the support of the Lodges forwarding these messages to their members we are able to reach well over 2300 of our members. I will continue to endeavor to include changes as they are requested. The website continues to play a very important role in much needed communications with our members.

**Second, as Business Practices:** This has taken the greatest amount of my time. I worked with several of the Southern District Lodges and two of the Northern



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District Lodges. These task included working with Lodges in the reconfiguring their Chart of Accounts to comply with the newly structured format. These changes mostly involved the way restricted funds are reported to bring them in line with IRS requirements. I continue to assist the Lodges in the way food and beverage income and expense are treated in the accounting system.

Considerable time was spent assisting with the training new Lodge Secretaries with the CLMS Membership system. I also provided a one hour Business Practices presentation at DDGER George Montgomery's DD Clinic and accompanied him on all of his Lodge visitations.

I accumulated over 6400 miles and 1200 hours performing these tasks.

While it has been a very busy year it has been a very rewarding experience. I thank each and every one of you for having the confidence me, providing this opportunity to participate in the works of the State Association and Lodges.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Bill Wiseman, PDDGER  
NSEA President-Elect  
District Leader Nevada South



# Nevada State



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April 16, 2016

President Ken, President-elect Bill, Distinguished Guests, Members all:

This is my Year End Citizen of the Year Report for Lodge year 2015-2016. I want to thank the 12 Lodges that participated in the Citizen of the Year Program this year. I received (6) responses out of 16 possible entries for Citizen of the Year Awards.

I want to thank the following Lodges for their participation:

Great Basin Lodge

Tahoe/Douglas Lodge

Mesquite Lodge

Fallon Lodge

Sparks Lodge

Hawthorne Lodge

The winner of the Citizen of the Year Award will be presented tonight at the banquet.

This concludes my Year End Report.

Fraternally,

John Louritt, PER

NSEA Citizen of the Year Chairman

Mr. President Catlin and honored guests,

This is my Hides report for 2015/2016 year.

I received reports from only 6 lodges.

Sparks 2397

*Henderson/Green Valley 4 hours*

Great Basin 1472

Fallon 2239

Laughlin 2872

Mesquite 2811

These lodges reported no participation in the hides program.

Ely lodge 1469 even with fliers out and advertising we were only able to collect 4 hides.

Respectfully submitted

Sid Beckwith PER State hides chairman

**BILL OSKIN, E.R.**  
**Chairman**  
**Lodge Activities Committee**  
**Nevada State Elks Association**

April 15, 2016

President Catlin, President Elect Wiseman, Distinguished Guests and Members All;

As of this date I have received <sup>seven (7)</sup> ~~eight (8)~~ Lodge Activity Reports out of sixteen (16) Lodges in Nevada. The Lodges who have submitted a report are:

Boulder City #1682, Fallon #2239, Great Basin #1472, Las Vegas #1468, Laughlin #2872, Mesquite #2811, North Las Vegas #2353, Sparks #2397 and Tahoe-Douglas #2670.

The Lodges who have not submitted a Lodge Activities Report are:

Carson City #2177, Ely #1469, Hawthorne #1704, Henderson/Green Valley # 2802, Pahrump #2769, Reno #597 and Tonapah #1062.

The totals from the reporting Loges are as follows:

# Activities	549
# Elks Involved	2,560
# Elk Hours	28,934
# Elk Miles	27,256
# Reached	33,776
# Successful Events	1,543
# Non-Elks Participating	3,407
# Non-Elk Hours	9,294
# Non-Elk Miles	36,182
# Public Relations Events	296

I would like to thank all the Lodges which participated ad assisted me in compiling this report for the NSEA Convention

Respectfully Submitted,

*Bill Oskin*

Bill Oskin, E.R.  
Chairman, Lodge Activities Committee  
Nevada State Elks Association

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# Elks Association

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David Pressler, PER, PDDGER  
NSEA Vice President

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155 Southridge Dr.  
Reno, NV 89509

TO: Ken Catlin, NSEA President  
FROM: David Pressler, NSEA Vice President  
SUBJECT: Vice President Activities Since Midterm  
DATE: April 1, 2016

November 19 - 22, 2015: Attended NSEA Midterm Reno, Nevada.

January 16, 2016: Attended and participated in Northern Nevada Hoopshoot at Wooster HS.

January 13, 2016: Attended NSEA President visitation - Fallon Lodge 2239. Hospitality great, thanks Bruce.

February 12, 2016: Attended NSEA President visitation Hawthorne Lodge 1704. Wonderful turkey dinner.

February 13, 2016: Attended NSEA Regional Hoopshoot at Hawthorne HS.

February 19, 2016: Attended NSEA President visitation Elko Lodge 1472. Wonderful meal and camaraderie.

March 25, 2016: Attended and installed Leading Knight Sparks Lodge 2397 Installation of Officers. Great meal.

April 2, 2016: Attended and was the Grand ER Reno Lodge 597 Installation of Officers.

Corresponded by phone, e-mail and snail mail with NSEA Officers, Committee Chairs, DD's and Lodges/ERs as needed.

Traveled 1155 miles.

Expenses \$253.00 plus \$85.00 office expenses.

This concludes my report.



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David Pressler, PER, PDDGER  
NSEA Vice President

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155 Southridge Dr.  
Reno, NV 89509

TO: Ken Catlin, NSEA President

FROM: David Pressler, NSEA Vice President

SUBJECT: NSEA State Major Project Ways and Means Report

DATE: April 1, 2016

November 20, 2015: attended and participated in SMP Trustees Meeting.

November 25, 2016: at the request of GER Hicks wife, Nancy, requested of Nevada Child Services a breakdown of monies spent per child of the NSEA SMP contribution thru Safe Haven. In the nine (9) rural counties the average spent per youth was \$199.34 (187 youth), FY Total: \$47,899.60. Information forwarded to GER First Lady Nancy.

April 3, 2016: requested of each Lodge/Exalted Ruler to bring two (2) gift baskets and "good" quality items per Lodge for SMP luncheon raffle.

This concludes my report.



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David Pressler, PER, PDDGER  
NSEA Vice President



# Elks Association

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155 Southridge Dr.  
Reno, NV 89509

TO: Ken Catlin, NSEA President

FROM: David Pressler, NSEA Vice President

SUBJECT: Elks Training

DATE: April 1, 2016

Following the mid-term convention conferred with the President-elect, Bill Wiseman, on numerous occasions regarding the on-line elks testing, reporting system and how to get Lodges to take the exam. Additionally Bill Wiseman changed/updated the exam twice during the past twelve (12) months. To date, ten (10) Lodges have had Elks members take the exam for a total of 42 Elks (Las Vegas Lodge 1468 had a high of 14 members take the test. Work continues on the reporting and it is still recommended that Lodges Officer Corps take the test as a group with a copy of the Annotated Statutes for reference.

Attached is a copy of the list of individual Elks who completed the on-line test.

Attachment: 1

This concludes my report.



# Nevada State



# Elks Association

March 23, 2016

To: Ted Balash, NSEA Advisory Council, Interim Governing Board, Shaaron Snead, NSEA Secretary, Gene Presnell – Chairman, Committee on Laws, and all Nevada State Elk Lodges:

Subject: Proposed Amendment to Article VII, Section 4 – Treasurer of NSEA By-Laws

Attached is a proposed amendment to the Treasurer's reimbursement amount in order to better reflect the expanded bookkeeping and financial duties/responsibilities over the past several years. Also, attached is a detailed, Treasurer duties/responsibilities for your information.

The proposed increase would be \$250.00 to the Treasurer's annual reimbursement amount and is in line with what the Secretary receives. This will have a nominal impact on NSEA's General Fund Budget.

The effective date of this amendment would be May 1, 2017 if approved at Nevada State Elks Association's Annual Convention Business Meeting on April 16, 2016.

Please consider this proposal and be prepared to vote on it at the NSEA's Business Meeting on Saturday, April 15, 2016.

Albert Bye  
PNDSEA  
NSEA Treasurer

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Two attachments



## **Proposed Amendment to Article VII, Section 4 – Treasurer**

The following is a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 4 of Nevada State Elks Association By-Laws. If approved by NSEA registered attendees at the April 16, 2016 Business meeting, this amendment would become effective May 1, 2017. It currently reads:

### Article VII, Section 4-Treasurer

“....The officer shall be allowed payment not to exceed Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per annum for reimbursement of expenses, payable annually, but shall not be allowed any additional moneys as and for necessary personal expenses incurred in the conduct of the affairs of the office.”

### Proposed Amend to Article VII, Section 4 – Treasurer

“....The officer shall be allowed payment not exceed Seven hundred and Fifty dollars (\$750.00) per annum for reimbursement of expenses...”

### Argument for Proposal:

The NSEA Treasurer’s position is required to make monthly bank deposits; prepare all checks (mostly monthly); prepare monthly reconciliations; record all financial transactions and keep all accounting records via QuickBooks software; assist the Board of Trustees in preparing the Budgets; Coordinate with Committee Chairpersons payments to vendors and advise them what support documents are needed; Coordinate the annual audit and tax returns with an outside CPA firm; and be prepared to provide financial information and advice to either the Board of Trustees and the Interim Governing Board as requested.

Therefore, this position with its specific duties requires an individual with some computer skills and some bookkeeping/accounting/financial knowledge or background.

### Financial Impact:

This nominal increase will have a minimal impact on the General Fund Budget.

### Argument against this Proposal:

None.

Albert W. Bye, soon to be former NSEA Treasurer