

Looking for a one-of-a-kind location for your wedding?

Search no further!

Colonel Hankinson's Wedding and Event Center

[AKA "the Colonel"]

pairs rustic charm with Old World elegance.

See firsthand what we have to offer *that others do not*.

If you appreciate both rural and lakeside settings, you're in luck. We have an abundance of both! But don't take our word for it. Set up a "no obligations" appointment.

Tour our historic barn—renovated to include lakeview patio; climate control; WIFI; handicap accessibility [chairlift]; two full levels of floor space [top: 2,436, bottom: 2,416 sq ft]; elevated stage; full kitchen; two fully stocked, full-service bars [one on each level].

Stroll our five acres of private Lake Elsie property with mature trees; manicured lawns [lawn games anybody?]; flower gardens; additional shoreline patio with fireplace.

Step inside and visit the unforgettable Lady on the Lake Bed and Breakfast—your convenient staging area for dress, makeup and hair prep, as well as one of many exceptional backdrops for wedding photographs; four overnight suites just waiting to spoil you and your adult guests; complimentary, full course breakfast for B&B overnight guests.

A wedding is so very special; it celebrates different families and separate sets of friends all joining in together as one. We at "the Colonel" understand that your wedding is unlike any other event. Let us help you make the most of your special day.

Please note: "The Colonel" is open May 1 -October 31 only!

Our 2019 Wedding Packages

Platinum [AKA the Weekend Package]: From Friday 7 a.m. to Sunday 2 p.m.

This is clearly the best option. We understand how important, yet stressful, planning a wedding can be. More time is always better when it comes to enjoying your special day.

- Friday 7 a.m. to early p.m.
 - Set up and decorate barn and/or additional outdoor areas.

- Friday evening
 - Rehearsal
 - Groom's dinner.
 - Las call is 11:45; bar closes at midnight.
 - Barn closes at midnight as well.
 - Overnight accommodations [four suites] on the property: Wedding Couple and chosen six adult guests conveniently retire to the comfort of Lady on the Lake B&B.
 - Safe Ride bus available 1 p.m. to 1 a.m.

- Saturday a.m.
 - Breakfast at Lady on the Lake for Wedding Couple plus overnight B&B guests--hour to be established ahead of time.
 - Complimentary space available at B&B for dress, makeup and hair prep.

- Saturday p.m.
 - Dress and other prep continue.
 - Wedding
 - Reception
 - Dance
 - Amplified music ends by midnight.
 - Last call is 11:45; bar closes at midnight.
 - Barn closes at midnight as well.
 - Overnight accommodations [four suites] on the property: Wedding Couple and chosen six adult guests conveniently retire to the comfort of Lady on the Lake B&B.
 - Safe Ride bus available 1 p. m. to 1 a. m.

- Sunday a. m.
 - Breakfast at Lady on the Lake for Wedding Couple plus overnight B&B guests--hour to be established ahead of time.
 - Take down/pack up decorations, table and chairs.

- Sunday p. m.
 - Gift opening in the barn.
 - Safe travels!

Our 2019 Wedding Packages continues

Gold [AKA Saturday's One-Day-Only Package]: **From Saturday 7 a. m. to Sunday 1 a. m.**

This is a great option for those of you with other plans for your groom's dinner.

- Saturday 7 a.m. -
 - Set up and decorate barn and/additional outdoor areas.
 - Rehearsal
 - Complimentary space available at B&B for dress, makeup and hair prep.

- Saturday p.m.
 - Dress and other prep continue.
 - Wedding
 - Reception
 - Dance
 - Amplified music ends by midnight.
 - Last call is 11:45; bar closes at midnight.
 - Barn closes at midnight as well.
 - By 1 a.m., take down decorations, tables and chairs.
 - Overnight accommodations [four suites] on the property: Wedding Couple and chosen six guests conveniently retire to Lady on the Lake B&B.
 - Safe Ride bus available 1 p. m. to 1 a. m.

- Sunday a. m.
 - Breakfast at Lady on the Lake for Wedding Couple plus overnight B&B guests—hour to be established ahead of time.
 - Safe travels!

Silver [AKA Friday's One-Day-Only Package]: **From Friday 7 a.m. to Saturday 1 a.m.**

Friday is an increasingly popular wedding day. Make your mark; be cutting-edge!

- Friday 7 a.m. -
 - Set up and decorate barn and/additional outdoor areas.
 - Rehearsal
 - Complimentary space available at B&B for dress, makeup and hair prep.

- Friday p.m.
 - Dress and other prep continue.
 - Wedding
 - Reception
 - Dance
 - Amplified music ends by midnight.
 - Last call is 11:45; bar closes at midnight.
 - Barn closes at midnight.

- By 1 a.m., take down decorations, tables and chairs.
- Overnight accommodations [four suites] on the property: Wedding Couple and chosen six guests conveniently retire to Lady on the Lake B&B.
- Safe Ride bus available 1 p. m. to 1 a. m.
- Saturday a. m.
 - Breakfast at Lady on the Lake for Wedding Couple plus overnight B&B guests—hour to be established ahead of time.
 - Safe travels!

Bronze [AKA Wednesday or Thursday One-Day Only Package]: From 7 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Who says you should follow the norm? Pick a Wednesday or Thursday and make a big splash!

- Day Chosen [Wednesday or Thursday only] 7 a.m. -
 - Set up and decorate barn and /additional outdoor areas.
 - Rehearsal
- Day Chosen p.m.
 - Complimentary space available at B&B for dress, makeup and hair prep.
 - Wedding
 - Reception
 - Dance
 - Amplified music ends by midnight.
 - Last call is 11:45; bar closes at midnight.
 - Barn closes at midnight as well.
 - By 1 a.m., take down decorations, tables and chairs.
 - Overnight accommodations [four suites] on the property: Wedding Couple and chosen six adult guests conveniently retire to Lady on the Lake B&B.
 - Safe Ride bus available 1 p. m. to 1 a. m.
- Following Day a. m.
 - Breakfast at Lady on the Lake for Wedding Couple plus overnight B&B guests—hour to be established ahead of time.
 - Safe travels!

All 2019 Wedding Packages include:

- Colonel Hankinson's Historic Barn [top: 2,436, bottom: 2,416 sq ft] . . .
 - climate-controlled—AC plus ceiling fans;
 - handicap accessible;
 - two full levels—with chairlift;
 - lakeview patio off ground floor;
 - chandelier lighting in hayloft;
 - full-service bars, one on each level, licensed for beer, wine & spirits;
 - receiving area, lower level of the barn, for your cocktail hour;
 - fully equipped kitchen on ground level plus steam table;
 - white tables & chairs and ivory linen for approximately 300 guests;
 - tables: rectangular [8'] and round [8']
 - additional tables for gifts, cake, punch bowls, coffee and guest book;
 - personal, locked storage room for gifts and other valuables;
 - a stage with four 110 V and one 220 V electric outlets;
 - handicap accessible, modern bathrooms;
 - WIFI, plus portable sound system with microphone;
 - complimentary safe ride bus service—Wedding Day only;
 - complimentary barn cleanup.
- Five acres of private lake property . . .
 - shoreline patio and fireplace;
 - green lawns and flower gardens ideal for outdoor wedding ceremony, picture taking, lawn games [yours or ours];
 - portable sound system with microphone;
 - wedding arch;
 - chairs for guests, officiant, readers, and musicians;
 - parking.
- Lady on the Lake Bed and Breakfast . . .
 - complimentary sunroom---perfect for dress and makeup prep;
 - complimentary common areas--perfect for wedding photographs;
 - complimentary wedding night Honeymoon Suite, a \$200.00 value, **our gift to you!**

Enhancements & Details:

Lodging Accommodations: Both facilities are Smoke-free and Pet-free.

- Colonel Hankinson’s Historic Barn and **Lady on the Lake Bed and Breakfast** are two separate businesses on our property, which are linked in one big way: to serve our customers best. Weddings are like no other event, blending festivities and romance with friends and family. In order to offer the highest value possible, we close our B&B to the general public, reserving it exclusively for you, which noticeably enhances your wedding experience.
 - Fees for our four **Lady on the Lake** suites *are in addition* to your wedding package price. Often grandparents, godparents, best friends or other close ties are looking not only for lodging but for ways to contribute to your big day.
 - Have them contact Sandy to make B&B arrangements.
 - We waive our room fee for the Wedding Couple on their Wedding Night.
 - Included in each room fee is a free, full-course breakfast for two adults.
- **Hankinson Inn** is located in the heart of Hankinson--corner of Hwy 11 and Main Street, five minutes from our wedding venue. In our experience, wedding couples have found it helpful to keep their bridal party and other core people *together and close by*.
 - Our inn has seven, newly updated rooms, sleeping 24-26 guests [14 beds].
 - As a courtesy, we reserve these seven individualized rooms for your guests.
 - Have them contact Sandy to secure the room of their choice.
 - Special Wedding Guest pricing is \$65.00 per room for 1 or 2 guests:
 - Feel free to bring air mattresses to accommodate more people;
 - \$5.00 for each additional person over 10 years of age;
 - children under 10—NO charge.

Rehearsal/Groom’s Dinner:

- Included in the **Platinum Package** is the opportunity to have a dinner in “the Colonel.”
 - You are welcome to either prepare it yourself or hire a caterer—please see catering details under wedding reception.
 - Our full-service kitchen is available at NO additional cost to Platinum Package parties, but please leave the kitchen as you found it.

Ceremony:

- **Officiant:** You are welcome to choose whomever you like.
- **Site:** Your choice of any of our five acres, including 460’ shoreline and patio.
- **Wedding arch:** Available for NO additional cost.
- **Chair setup:** NO additional charge.
- **Portable, waterproof sound system** with microphone at NO additional charge.
 - Blue tooth and USB compatible.

Arrival Area:

- Colonel Hankinson’s Historic Barn provides a large receiving area for your social hour at NO extra charge.
 - We suggest you designate two host couples to greet and assist others in . . .
 - signing the guest book;
 - delivering their cards and gifts;
 - mingling, finding the restrooms, and their place at dinner.

Wedding Reception:

- You are welcome to prepare food yourself or hire a caterer. Our full-service kitchen is available at NO additional cost.
 - **Responsibilities of Caterer**
 - New caterers need to visit us prior to the day of the event.
 - Provide all dishes, plates, silverware, glasses, serving items etc.;
 - Provide all food and non-alcoholic beverages for the event—punch, coffee, tea etc.
 - No outside soda or bottled water allowed; they are for sale at our on-site bar.
 - Kitchen cleanup, including serving dishes and utensils. In other words: Please leave the kitchen as you found it.

Wedding Dance:

- It is the Bridal party’s responsibility to hire a band or DJ.
 - Band or DJ must be insured and proof is required one month prior.
 - Amplified music must end by midnight.
- If alcohol is served at the dance, Richland County requires you to have a security officer work from the start to the end of your dance. NO exceptions!
 - Sandy can make these arrangements for you.
 - Cost per hour in 2018 was \$30.00.
 - Payment for this fee is due one month prior to your wedding date.
 - NO outside alcohol can be consumed on the property, including parked vehicles.

Bar & Bar Service: Colonel Hankinson’s Barn is licensed to serve beer, wine, and spirits.

- No outside alcohol, soda or bottled water can be brought in by the wedding party or guests.
- North Dakota legal drinking age is 21.
 - All guests who consume alcohol must be prepared to show photo ID.
 - NO alcohol can be provided to minors.

Bar & Bar Service continues:

- Our certified bartenders are provided at NO additional cost.
 - They reserve the right to discontinue service to those appearing intoxicated.
- We offer three choices for how to handle your Wedding Dance Bar:
 - **Cash Bar:** Guests pay for their individual drinks.
 - **Hosted Bar:** Bartenders keep track of drinks served for a pre-allotted time, which is then billed to the prearranged master account.
 - **Ticket Bar:** You determine how many drink tickets to give each of your guests. We provide but you distribute the drink tickets. Our bartenders keep track of tickets and charge your master account for these specific drink costs.
- **Other bar details . . .**
 - NO ATM onsite.
 - You can order keg beer or bottles of wine or champagne through “the Colonel” for your special day—NO minimums; NO setup fees.
 - Please order one month prior to your wedding day.
 - Keg beer consumption is allowed only until the start of your wedding dance--NO exceptions!
 - “The Colonel’s” full-service bar is available for all wedding activities with Certified bartenders at NO cost to you.
 - Last call is 11:45.
 - Bar closes at midnight [all amplified music ends then too].

Decorations:

- You are responsible for ordering, hanging, as well as taking down your decorations.
- We appreciate your assistance in taking down tables and chairs.
- Except for Platinum/Weekend Package holders, decorations must be gone by 1 a. m.

Gift Safe Room: another amenity at NO charge to bridal couple.

- Secure your gifts, cards and leftover decorations in a locked room. Only Sandy/ Marshall and your designated hosts will have access.
- While we do our best to secure this space, we are NOT responsible for items left behind in the safe room nor for items that didn’t make it to the safe room in the first place.

Safe Ride: a 20-passenger bus to ensure guests’ safety *and your freedom from liability*.

- Routes: Hankinson Inn, Dakota Magic Casino, and motels in Hankinson and Lidgerwood.
- **Wedding day** bus service 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. at NO charge for ALL packages.
- \$475.00 for driver and bus **if used for groom’s dinner**.

**Pricelist for “the Colonel’s”
2019 Wedding Packages**

Platinum [AKA the Weekend Package]: **From Friday 7 a.m. to Sunday 2 p.m.**

- \$3,800.00--includes use of barn and kitchen for groom’s dinner as well.

Gold [AKA Saturday’s One-Day-Only Package]: **From Saturday 7 a. m. to Sunday 1 a. m.**

- \$3,000.00

Silver [AKA Friday’s One-Day-Only Package]: **From Friday 7 a.m. to Saturday 1 a.m.**

- \$2,500.00

Bronze [AKA Wednesday or Thursday One-Day Only Package]: **From 7 a.m. to 1 a.m.**

- \$2,000.00

Reminder: Barn is open May 1 through October 31 only!

Dates fill up quickly.

Peak weekends run May through September.

Wedding Timeline

Each of you please initial here that you understand your deadlines _____

- Give us a call; arrange a tour of the property.
 - This is a “no obligations” offer.
- Take the time to choose the best package for you and **select your date**.
- Secure your date with a \$1,000.00 **non-refundable deposit**.
 - Date chosen is locked in when we **receive** your deposit.
 - Checks should be written to: Colonel Hankinson’s Historic Barn LLC
 - Mailing address: 16602 94th Street SE, Hankinson, ND 58041
 - Credit cards accepted; we add a 3% convenience fee for processing.
- **Four months prior to wedding:**
 - **Entire balance** of your package is **due**; we’ll send you a reminder.
 - Include your estimated **guest count**.
 - Is **lodging** at both Lady on the Lake B&B and Hankinson Inn reserved?
 - See Enhancements & Details section of this contract.
 - Email Sandy with your caterer’s or your cook’s contact info.
- **One month prior to wedding:**
 - Proof of band and/or DJ’s insurance is **due**.
 - Payment is **due** for Private Security Officer’s duties during dance.
 - Confirm with Sandy your **final** guest count.
 - Keg beer, wine, champagne orders are **due**.
 - **Please let Sandy know of any family favorites.**
 - \$500.00 security deposit is **due**. Please make this in check form; it will not be cashed unless damages or shortfalls occur.
 - Colonel Hankinson’s Historic Barn LLC reserves the **right to void** this contract when payments are 30 days in arrears.
- Approximately **one week prior to wedding:**
 - We will schedule a **Final Wedding Plan** meeting to finalize details and discuss your schedule for the big day.

Wedding Contract Signature Page

We, _____ and _____,
[Please print clearly] [Please print clearly]

have studied the Wedding Contract and understand our package options, the enhancement & details section, plus our timeline obligations, and are fully on board.

Our desired **wedding date** is _____; our **package choice** is _____.
We understand that our desired date cannot be finalized until our non-refundable deposit of **\$1,000.00 is received.**

By signing below, we are obligating ourselves to the terms of this 11-page contract.

Signature of the bride-to-be:

Signature of the groom-to-be:

Date contract was signed: _____

Bride's Contact Information:

- **Phone:** _____ **email:** _____
- **Mailing address:** _____

Groom's Contact Information:

- **Phone:** _____ **email:** _____
- **Mailing address:** _____

Thank you for choosing "the Colonel."

You belong here!