

## ELKS USA

### Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U.S.A. - A Fraternal Organization Veterans Leather Program



Thanks to donations of hides from hunters, the *Elks National Veterans Service Commission* is the major source of hides and tanned leather used for recreational and occupational therapy throughout the U.S. Veterans Health Administration.

Elks Leather has become a national by-word among veteran patients everywhere.

Leather provides a form of relief by keeping minds active as well as providing exercise for injured and unused muscles. Veterans often enter wallets, clothing, belts, and moccasins in arts and crafts shows sponsored by the Elks.

One program initiated by Elks is whereby tanned leather is cut and sewn into specially designed gloves which are furnished to veterans confined to wheelchairs, thereby protecting their hands during movement.

Hunters, Please donate deer hides to the Veterans Leather Program !

Iowa and Missouri hunters consistently lead the U.S.A. in donations of hides to the Program.

For the Montgomery County Iowa area, the [Red Oak Elks Lodge 1304](#) has a **HIDE DROP-OFF site at Goranson Seed, 1965 G AVE (Park West), Red Oak, IA 51566**

