



The ELKS Call



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Dear Fellow Elks,

I am excited to be back from the 2018 Elks National Convention held in San Antonio, Texas, July 1st through the 4th. The meetings and trade show allowed me to gain a lot of very useful information and Suzanne and I had a great time seeing our fellow Alabama Elks and meeting other Elks from across the country. I have left several copies of each day's events at the Lodge. Please feel free to read each one. They are very informational.

There are three topics I would like to share with you that we learned while in San Antonio. First, The Elks National Foundation informed us that they would again be providing the Anniversary Grant to all lodges that apply. This is another \$1,500.00 that Di and her "Think Tank" will be able to use. Please see Di Wilson to get involved in these great programs. Second, Totals from the Annual Charity Reports show that all lodges combined to donate an all-time high of \$675,985,245 in time, mileage and in-kind gifts. That is a lot of time and money. Third, The Elks National Drug Awareness Program continues to grow. One program that keeps getting bigger and bigger is The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. This a great time to clean out that medicine cabinet from prescription medicines not being used or that are expired. The next DEA Take Back Day is October 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can visit DEA.gov to find a disposal site in your area or check with your local pharmacist.

We again had our annual Drug Awareness Day at the Harvest Youth Club. The kids were treated to hamburgers and hot dogs, given tours of a Huntsville City Fire Engine and Madison County SWAT response vehicle. The Sherriff's Department also had several educational programs they presented to the children. Once the programs were over, the rest of the afternoon was spent enjoying water sports, two big water slides and a bouncy bounce. It was a very nice outing and enjoyed by all that attended.

Again, and again and again I must stress membership growth. Football season is fast approaching, and the dog days of summer will be over. This is great time to bring potential guest to the lodge. We have a great area with lots of TV's for all the games and our patio is as good as any in town. We will soon place a reserved parking place near the entrance for each "Recruiter of the Month".

LODGE MEETING ATTENDANCE has really dwindled. A Lodge the size of ours should have a respectable attendance at these meetings (Tuesday, August 28th at 7:00 this month), so we are going to try something new to entice you to attend. Each member attending the Lodge meeting will be given a ticket. At the end of the meeting ONE ticket will be drawn, the holder of that ticket will win \$50. This is a "must be present to win", cannot get a ticket and then leave. This in no way has anything to do with the 50/50 tickets that the PERs use to purchase the flags for our building. This costs you nothing except your presence at a Lodge meeting. Who knows, you might actually enjoy being with your fellow Elks.

See you at the "Lodge".

Elks Care - **Elks** Share

House Committee

Bills and taxes against the Club are paid and current. Kitchen and bar inventory were completed on July 1. Tut Fann Vets will be here for dinner on Thursday, August 2. The annual BBQ butt sale, Lodge fundraiser sold a total of 56 butts. Sheriff Blake Dorning, HC Pat Edwards, HC Billy Carlton, and Veterans' coordinator Ed Limback did the cooking. The ABC Liquor License has been renewed for 2018-2019. The storage rooms in the Lodge and club have been cleared of items used on a regular basis and placed into the outside storage container. Work was done by HC Cathy Kulas, Lecturing Knight Michael Hepler, Leading Knight Jan Abbott, Col Tom Hartley, Tom Rathz, Linda Bennett, and Helen Mitchell. HC Billy Herndon cleaned the air registers in the dining room. The club has added a new "golf game" machine in the game room. The HC thanks those members who volunteer their time to help with the club operations. Please submit in writing or attend a HC meeting with ideas or suggestions to better the club.

Thank you all.

Your House Committee: Chairman Pat Edwards, Billy Carlton, David Burkett, Jason Johnson, Billy Herndon and Cathy Kulas.

HOUSE RULES HIGHLIGHTS: Club Operations, Section D, Paragraph (2): Any member who admits a non-member to the club without proper identification and a member escort may be subject to disciplinary action after written notice to the member and after a hearing before the House Committee.



Join in the fun:

**QUEEN OF HEARTS
FUNDRAISER**

Every Friday Night

Do you visit other Lodges? Ed Limback and Carol Cadori recently visited the Chattanooga Lodge and had a great time. The members were welcoming and cordial and made their visit memorial. They invited the Chattanooga members to visit our Lodge as it is only about two hours away. Should you see some unfamiliar faces in our Lodge, please go out of your way to make them feel welcome so they will want to visit again.

ENF INFORMATION, we have a new chairman for our ENF (Elks National Foundation) program. Col. Tom Hartley will be helping our Lodge with this very important program. Our grant monies come from the ENF. If we could get more members to participate in this worthy program, we could get an extra \$500 in grant money. The "mission" of the ENF is to build stronger communities! This past year the State of Alabama Elks donated \$53,334.84 and the ENF gave back, \$96,240.00 for State Charities, State Special Projects, Most Valuable Student, Legacy Award, and National Veterans Service Commission, and through the Community Investment Program (CIP) a total of \$125,000 was awarded to 20 Lodges in Alabama (we were one of the 20).



SECRETARY NEWS

August is now here and we are 5 months into our new Lodge year. Please take a few minutes and look at the list posted on the bulletin board in the foyer of delinquent members. Every member is important to our membership and to our Lodge. Please encourage these folks to come back and join us in all the things we are doing here. We will be starting some new projects, finishing up old ones and we want these members to be involved. The Grand Lodge Convention in San Antonio was a learning experience for me. George and I had a great time, met some really nice folks from all over, and of course, enjoyed some really, really good food! I attended several of the sessions and hopefully brought home some new ideas for our Lodge and our members. The GL did a slide show presentation of Lodge activities and our Huntsville Lodge was the ONLY Lodge in Alabama represented in the slide show! **GRANTS:** We just finished our "**Gratitude Grant**" with the Harvest Youth Club and our Drug Awareness program. The field day, complete with water sides and a bouncy house was enjoyed by all the children. Thanks to Chad Gilreath (Waffle House) for donating the hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, Seth Lund for the cookies, our grill masters Matthew Bradford and Matthew Danner, ER Byrom and Suzanne, Jan Abbott, Cathy Kulas, Bob Gamble, Patrick Mickle and I, plus the staff at Harvest Youth Club. We just submitted the grant application for 2018-2019. "**Promise Grant**" with Kids to Love organization, we just delivered 10, 8" Kindles and 50, \$10 gift cards to finish out the grant for this year. The grant application has again been submitted for 2018-2019. "**Beacon Grant**" that we use with our Tut Fann Veterans has just been completed by delivering a 43" Vizio TV to the activities director. The grant for 2018-2019 will be written within the next week. "**Freedom Grant**" that we used with homeless veterans and a soup kitchen has already been approved again for \$2,000 for 2018-2019. "**Impact Grant**" we use with Farley School will start up again as school starts. J.Appleseed Book Company just delivered to the school library, \$1,985 worth of books and ebooks using this grant. PLEASE consider helping us this fall and winter, we are in need of tutors, we need just an hour or so each week to listen and help these children with their reading and some help with the reward store. **PLEASE take a look at the bulletin boards in the entryway for the updates on these grants and all the wonderful things we have done and are doing.**



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: As we go about our daily lives, please keep in mind those that are ill or going through treatments or have lost a loved one. Remember Darwin Baker, Pam Tumminello, Janette Jones, and Sherry Yarbrough as they fight daily against cancer, Wayne Tucker and Allen Cathy as they recuperate. Love and prayers to Charles and Ches Crute in the death of his Mother; and to Sharon and James Adams in the death of her Father. We just held a "black chair" for Marvin W. Martin, a 52-year Elk Member. Condolences to his family as well.

Please let Chaplain Bob Richmond know if you hear of anyone that is ill or has had a death in the family.

"Always be kind to your fellow man"

Bob Richmond, Chaplain

5 Ways to Keep You Informed . . .

Email, Online Newsletter, Social Media,
Lodge Meetings, Wall Calendar (Outside Managers' Office)

If you are not receiving the weekly Elk emails
please send your name and current email address to
samjt3@yahoo.com - we'll add you to the list.

**The Elks Call newsletter entries
MUST be received by 25th of the Month**

Entry address: bpoe1648@gmail.com or
diwilson1648@gmail.com

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Interested in booking an event?

Club's Email Address: Elks1648@knology.net

Newsletters are no longer mailed;
a limited number will be placed at the bar.

Please reserve these copies
for those Members not receiving email.

*If you know of a Shut-In Member,
kindly take a copy of the newsletter to them...*

*If we all help out, we can save money for the Lodge
by avoiding postage.*



Still Need Callers and Workers

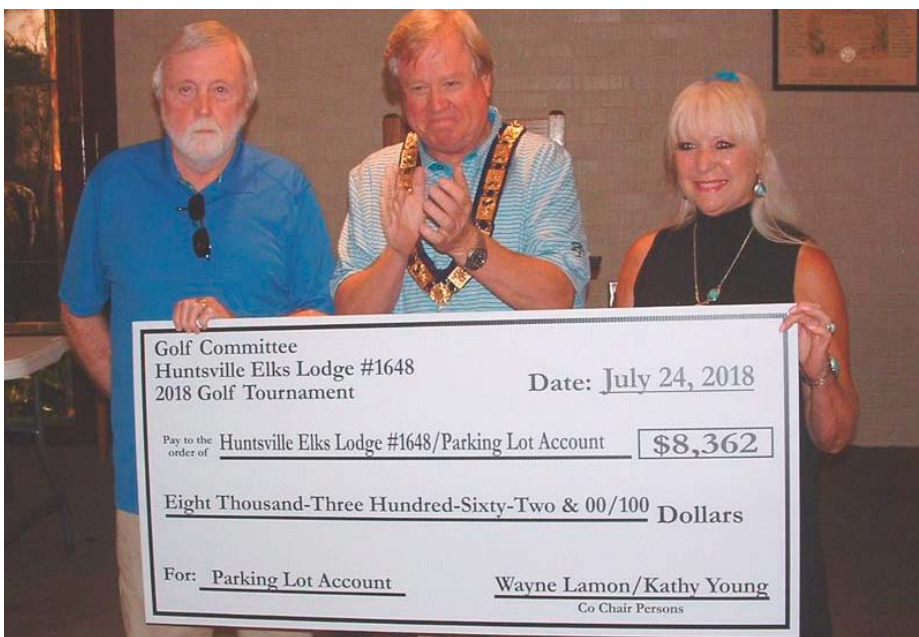


August Birthdays:

- 1 Mary Cannon
- 4 John Key, Beth Mumaw
- 6 Bobby Berry, Jeff Church, Diane Harris D'Andrea,
Jennifer Flohr, James Wright
- 7 James Segrest
- 8 Alan Smith, Harold Swanson
- 10 Wayne Robbins
- 11 William R. Cooper
- 12 Jim Parker, Emil Posey, Donald Wilhelm
- 13 Brandon Harwell, Michael Jones,
- 14 Bobby Bonds
- 16 Rick Maze
- 18 Jason Britt, Timothy Greenlee
- 19 Warner Davis, Wayne Tucker, Justin West
- 21 Charles Solomon
- 22 Tim McNeese
- 23 Robert Bukovac, Richard Raleigh, Michael Recio
- 26 Ed Agesen
- 27 Chief Pat Edwards, William Smyser
- 28 Terry Culver, Tommy Harper
- 29 Thomas Sharp
- 30 John Bell, Michela Johnson, Ronald Neece
- 31 Dee Huber

Delinquent Member birthdays: 4, Blake Mann, 7, Steve Simmons,
9, Tommy Baker, 10, Ann Bourque Adams, 13, Eddie Coker,
15, Hannah Mann, 20, Trip Ferguson, 23, Charles Hall, 29, Dan
McAllister, 30 Charles Graffeo

ER BIRTHDAY DINNER, the attendance was low but everyone
had a great time, good conversation, and good food. Mark your
calendar now for the next dinner to be OCTOBER 24, for those
having birthdays in the months of August, September, and
October (and their dinner is compliments of the Lodge) guests are
only \$10 per person.



2018 Elks Lodge 1648 Charity Golf Tournament: Kathy Young and I (Wayne Lamon), as co-chairs for the 2018 golf tournament want to thank each member of this year's golf committee for their endless hard work and effort to make this year's tournament the most successful tournament the Elks Lodge has had to date. We sold 19, \$500 corporate sponsorships and 87, \$100 hole sponsorships this year. The final numbers are completed: grand total of revenue, \$33,673.50. After all expenses were paid, this committee was pleased to present to the Lodge the following amounts of monies: House Committee, \$1,510; Lodge General Fund & Charities \$10,000; Lodge Parking Lot fund \$8,362.50. Grand total profit, \$19,872.50. It has been our pleasure to co-chair such a great group of Lodge Members, who from the first meeting set our goal to make the 2018 Golf Tournament the best ever and with help from all these great people, WE DID!!!!

AUGUST 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
IN SEPTEMBER, KARAOKE MOVES TO THE 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAY NIGHTS			1 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	2 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Fried Steak</i> Tut Fann Veterans Here for Dinner 6:00	3 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Dinner Specials</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	4 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Karaoke 6:00-10:00
5 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Brown	6 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	7 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee 5:30	8 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	9 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Buffet</i> Civil War Roundtable 6:30	10 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Dinner Specials</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	11 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Come out and have dinner on our PATIO
12 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 DD Meeting Cullman 4-6 BINGO 5:30 Team: Abbott	13 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	14 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed NO LODGE MEETING	15 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	16 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Beef Tips and Noodles</i>	17 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Dinner Specials</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	18 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 PATIO OPEN, join your friends for corn hole and a beverage
19 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Hepler	20 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	21 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed HOUSE COMMITTEE 5:30	22 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	23 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Lasagna Special</i> Little Civil War Roundtable 6:30	24 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Dinner Specials</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	25 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 COME TO THE PATIO and watch a ballgame on TV
26 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Anderson Caller: Cannon	27 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	28 Open 3:00 <i>Food Special</i> LODGE MEETING 7:00 NO INITIATION	29 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	30 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Shrimp Special</i>	31 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Dinner Specials</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	Keep the date - SEPTEMBER 29 LUAU ON THE PATIO

AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST 2018-2019

“WHAT MAKES YOU PROUD OF AMERICA”

deadline for entry is December 15, 2018.

Contest open to students in grades 5-8, essay not to exceed 300 words.

For more information, contact the Lodge Secretary, bpoe1648@gmail.com.

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