



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

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Dear Fellow Elks,

The month of May basically starts a new year for us at Huntsville Lodge 1648. All the new officers and committees are in place and now we are ready to start another great year of Elkdom.

Before getting too far in to this year, I would like to recognize the recipients of several awards received from the Grand Lodge for last years involvement and effort.

Officer of The Year - Randy Morris

Elk of The Year - Billy Herndon

Citizen of the Year - Di Wilson

Outstanding Member - Kathy Kulas

Outstanding Member – Pam Willoughby Sneed

GER Making a Difference Special Citation – Buzzy Byrom

Local Lodge Making a Difference Special Citation – Huntsville Elks Lodge 1648

Exceeding the Grand Exalted Rulers Goal for New Membership – Huntsville Elks Lodge 1648

Exceeding the Grand Exalted Ruler's ENF Per Capita Goal – Huntsville Elks Lodge 1648

These are all highly regarded awards and it takes a lot of hard work and dedication to receive one. Please congratulate these members as you see them.

As we plan for the upcoming year we will be putting several new ideas and remodeling projects in place. As the lodge continues to prosper we will be reinvesting in our building with new carpeting in the bar area. The parking lot is a top priority and we should be announcing a resurfacing project soon.

A new security camera system is being installed that will give us a total view of every area of the parking lot. Our night manager will be able to look at the iPad and scan the whole lot before walking out the door to their car. It will further help when someone's car is hit, and the driver leaves without telling anyone. There have been a couple of incidents at Bingo that we could not prove. Now we will know what really happened.

I hope to continue updating the wall paint throughout the dining room. If anyone wants to volunteer for this project we will gladly pay for the paint. We would also like to complete the ceiling tile and lighting project. Volunteers for this project are needed as well.

Please be sure and check out the calendar. May and June have a lot of events planned. Also, if you are not receiving emails about current events please email me or the lodge to get on the email list.

Hope to see you soon.

Buzzy

Thank you to Our Elk Lodge Member, John Davis. John, owner of Green Mountain Lawn Service, picked up the trees and equipment and brought his crew to plant the trees at Farley Elementary. THANK YOU, JOHN!

House Committee

Bills and taxes against the Club are paid. Inventory of bar and kitchen completed on schedule. Tut Fann Vets had dinner at the Lodge on April 5th serving 19 Vets and caregivers and their next visit is May 3rd. Members breakfast served 73 members and guests, next breakfast is May 5th, so come on down and be part of it. All smoke filters have been cleaned. The kitchen hood exhaust has been cleaned, which is done every 6 months. A new thermostat control has been installed in the kitchen sandwich prep table. Restroom water leaks and hand sink in kitchen have been repaired. Replacement of emergency lights in Club side men's room and exit light in Lodge middle room is done. Cable for the new camera system has been installed and this project should be finished soon. The POW Flag has been replaced.

The BINGO Committee needs volunteers. Please be willing to donate some time to this worthwhile project. This is our source for our youth scholarships. You can make new friends and have some fun too. Thanks to those members who donate their time and efforts to make the Club run smoothly. Submit any ideas to improve our Club in writing or come to the House Committee Meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 5:30. Thank you all.

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

HOUSE RULES: Administrative: B: Quorum: Although Club business may be discussed at any meeting of the Committee, no voting shall take place unless there is a quorum of members of the House Committee present.



Please let us know if you hear of anyone that is ill or has deceased. The only way we can know is if someone shares the information with us. You may contact Chaplain Bob Richmond 256-883-6439, or the Lodge 256-539-4093, or send an email to bpoe1648@gmail.com. We extend our thoughts and prayers to Pat and Wayne Lamon for the loss of her Brother Larry McNally, and to Marilyn and Taylor Wright for the loss of her Sister Vivian Hollingsworth. Please keep in your prayers Wayne Tucker. Wayne is at Encompass Health, Room 324B. Continue to remember Pam Tumminello and Janette Jones as they continue their battle for good health. Allen Cathy has gone to Decatur to live with his brother.

From Chaplain Richmond – *"Dedicate your good works to God"*.

IT'S TEE TIME!!! The annual Elks Charity Golf Tournament will begin with a dinner and Calcutta on Friday evening, June 15th at the Lodge, and then the tournament on Saturday, June 16th at Fox Run Golf Course in Meridianville, AL. Entry forms are behind the bar. All golfers are encouraged to sign up and play. All skill levels of golfers are welcome. The cost is \$75 per person and that gets you green fees with a cart, two meals and a chance to win many great prizes. It is open to everyone so you can invite your non-Elk friends. This tournament has filled up the last four years, so be sure to sign up early. The **first 72, paid players** will get in. Even if you do not play golf there are many ways for you to get involved in this fun-filled event. You can be a committee member and help on the tournament, you can come to the Calcutta Auction and Dinner the night before the tournament and bid on a team, and you can buy a chance in the 50/50 ball draw. You can help by being a corporate sponsor or a hole sponsor. You also can help by acquiring door prizes. This is one of the biggest fund raisers of the year for our Lodge and it takes a lot of good Elks to put this fun project together. So please, come on out and help us make this the **Best Golf Tournament ever**. See Wayne Lamon or Kathy Young for details.



SECRETARY NEWS

New key cards are now being used, however we still have 134 members that have not paid their dues as of today. If you have not paid your dues for the 2018-2019 year, your **grace period ends on May 1st**. Please send in your dues and continue to enjoy your Club. A delinquent list is on the bulletin board in the foyer. Remember, if you are a delinquent member, you may not enter the Club, the patio or enjoy any of the functions or activities going on in the Club. We have a lot of fun things coming up, so come be a part of them. Dues are \$106 for the year, mail to P.O. Box 352, Huntsville, AL 35804.

IMPACT GRANT WITH FARLEY SCHOOL: HELP NEEDED!!

We will be planting trees at Farley Elementary (South Memorial Parkway) on Saturday, May 5th at 9:00. We are trying to give the school more curb appeal, so please come out and help us. We also will be putting down pavers for the wooden planter boxes at the outdoor learning center on Wednesday 2nd. Cathy Kulas opened the "Student Reward Store" last Wednesday (the 25th) and she ran out of several items, so a quick trip was made to the Dollar Tree to replenish these items. The children earn S.O.A.R. bucks for good grades, behavior, being kind, etc. and they use these at the store. **CONTINUE TO** save your plastic bottle caps and your used ink cartridges and drop them in the collection jar beside the Club Manager's office.

Phone system – We now have a new answering machine for the Club and Lodge. Treasurer Bell and I work in the office on Tuesday, but you may call anytime and leave a message for us and we will return your call.



FLOWERS IN THE AREA AROUND THE OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTER.

THANK YOU SCI FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION OF \$1,500 TO HELP US GIVE FARLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SOME "CURB APPEAL". WE WILL BE PLANTING TREES AND SHRUBS, AS WELL AS CLEANING UP AND PLANTING



THANK YOU TO COLSA CORPORATION FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION OF \$400 TO HELP WITH OUR FARLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT.

THANK YOU TO BOTH CORPORATIONS FOR BEING STUDENT AND COMMUNITY FOCUSED!

**Karaoke -
DJ Ted Moon
Saturday, May 19th
6:00 - 10:00 p.m.**



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

Like us on Facebook -

Elks Lodge 1648 Huntsville, AL

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.*



Join in the fun:

**QUEEN OF HEARTS
FUNDRAISER**

Every Friday Night

TENNESSEE VALLEY CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE – Will
be having their meeting on Thursday, May 10th at the Lodge. This
will be a special event for their 25th Anniversary. This event is
free, so come enjoy a book sale, period music and instruments,
speaker Mike Coker, and dessert. Their free-will donation to the
"battlefield bucket" will go to honor the Huntsville Traditional Music
Association. For more details you may contact www.tvcwrt.org or
Carol Cadori carolcadori@att.net.

The Grand Exalted Ruler Malcolm J. McPherson, Jr.
has requested that all local Lodges recognize
Elks National Youth Week
during the month of May.
Huntsville Lodge 1648 will be having our
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET,
May 16th, 6:00 PM.



May Birthdays:

- 01 - Sam J. Citrano Jr., Marvin Martin, Mickey Pruitt
- 02 - Trevor James
- 03 - Diana Smith Finley
- 04 - Thomas T. Thompson III, Michael West
- 05 - Larry Christopher, Doug Smith
- 06 - Alethia Gail Birmingham, Paul Knighten
- 07 - Jerry Dunham
- 08 - Mark Craig
- 10 - Ted Bullard
- 11 - Nona Hopper, Nona Jones, Greg Naidenko
- 12 - Mike Boysen, Tom Hartley
- 16 - George Boyd, Terry Cagle, Robert Stinson, Mary Tweedy
- 17 - Lynn Fournier, Dan Poole
- 18 - Hal Beach
- 20 - David Burkett, Kenneth Ellzey, Bill Richards
- 24 - Joe Henderson
- 25 - Andy Kilbourn, Albert Schild
- 26 - Marvin Byrom
- 27 - Joe Webster
- 30 - Richard Galloway
- 31 - Kenneth Adams, Ed Sorden, Steve Walker



BINGO workers are desperately needed!

With the size of our Lodge membership, we should never
be without help on our bingo teams. Bingo is vital to this
Lodge in keeping our 501 (c)3 status as well as being able
to give away the youth scholarships that we give every
spring. Every penny of the bingo money, except the money
that is used to purchase more bingo supplies, goes to our
scholarship program. We all come into this Lodge and say
that we are happy to be here, thank you for accepting my
membership and I want to be a part of this Lodge and look
forward to working with you. Well SURPRISE, bingo is a
part of this Lodge and we need your help. The same few
people work week after week and are tiring out. If you
would just donate a few hours on a Sunday, every other
month (that's 6 times a year), we could get enough workers
to relieve the burden on those that have been carrying
the load week after week. We NEED callers, concession
workers, and floor workers. Please see Braxton Butler or
Fred Rodrigue or call the Secretary and let them know that
you are willing to help.

REMEMBER – Elks Care – Elks Share!

MAY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CALLERS AND WORKERS NEEDED FOR BINGO!!!!		1 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed / Pizza Available House Committee Meeting 5:30	2 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Flag Day Meeting 6:00 p.m. Texas Holdem 6:30	3 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Country Fried Steak</i> Tut Fann Vets Here Golf Committee 6:00 p.m.	4 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Steak Night</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	5 BREAKFAST 9:00-10:30 Farley Tree Planting 9:00 p.m. Derby Day / Mini Casino 4:00 - till
6 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Brown Caller:	7 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	8 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed / Food Special Available LODGE MEETING 7:00	9 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Flag Day Meeting 6:00 p.m. Texas Holdem 6:30	10 Open 3:00 <i>Chicken Buffet</i> 5:00-9:00 Civil War Roundtable - 5:30 Golf Committee 6:00 p.m.	11 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Steak Night</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	12 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
13 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Abbott Caller: Wilson	14 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	15 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30 PAINT CLASS 6:00	16 Open 3:00 Youth Scholarship Banquet - 6:00 Flag Day Meeting 6:00 p.m. Texas Holdem 6:30	17 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Steak Tips/Gravy</i> Golf Committee 6:00 p.m.	18 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Steak Night</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	19 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 KARAOKE 6:00-10:00 DJ Ted Moon
20 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: Hepler Caller: R. Anderson	21 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	22 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open / Food Special 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00 Initiation	23 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Flag Day Meeting 6:00 p.m. Texas Holdem 6:30	24 Open 3:00 5:00-9:00 <i>Meatloaf / Veg.</i> Golf Committee 6:00 p.m. Little Civil War Roundtable - 6:30	25 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Steak Night</i> Queen of Hearts 8:00	26 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
27 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 4:30-7:30 BINGO 5:30 Team: N. Anderson Caller: Cannon	28 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	29 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed / Pizza Available	30 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Flag Day Meeting 6:00 p.m. Texas Holdem 6:30	31 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Shrimp Boil</i> Golf Committee 6:00 p.m.		

DERBY DAY AND MINI-CASINO

MAY 5th - 4 pm - TILL

\$10 donation to participate

*Club furnishing heavy finger foods,
bring a side dish to share.*

PARI-MUTUAL BETTING ON HORSE RACES

"HAT CONTEST"

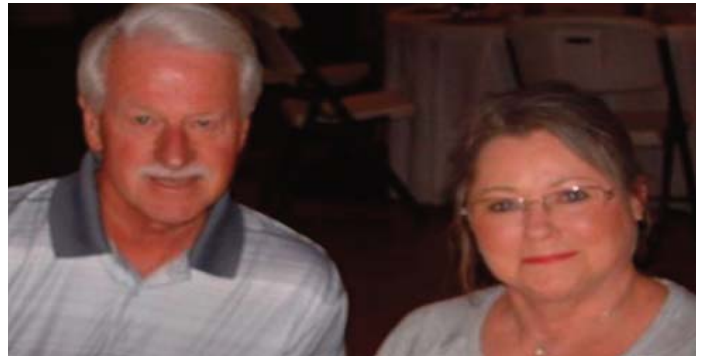
HAPPY HOUR PRICES 3-6,
AND MINT JULEP SPECIAL!!

MINI-CASINO:

3 CARD POKER, BLACK JACK, CRAPS



WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE MEAL? We just celebrated those honored members with birthdays in the months of February, March, and April with a free (cooked to order) steak or chicken dinner, wine and birthday cake. We have this ER Birthday Celebration once a quarter to honor those birthdays. The next ER BIRTHDAY celebration will be JULY 25TH for those having birthdays in the months of May, June, and July. The dinner is free for the honored birthday guest, and \$10 for any other guest that would like to attend. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to join us. Good food, wine, and great fellowship. We hope you will come and join us and enjoy a great meal with your Elk family and friends. Below are a few photos from the dinner.



**Please Check the Bulletin Board
Outside the Club Manager's Office for
Updates and Coming Activities.**



IMPACT GRANT, FARLEY ELEMENTARY - STUDENT REWARD STORE



GREAT ENTERTAINMENT – for those of you that missed Michael Dean and Memphis (Elvis Impersonator) this past Saturday evening, you missed a great time and good music. For those that came out, we say thank you and we feel it was well worth the \$5 donation to see this great performance (sponsored by Lavoy Smartt and our Club). Our bartenders and kitchen staff were ready to serve everyone. The performance started at 6:00 pm, they took about two 15 breaks and performed until 10:00 pm. We hope to have them back in late summer. Michael Dean is a member of the Decatur Elks Lodge.



ALABAMA ELKS ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION ~ June 1 - 3, 2018

Birmingham Sheraton, Birmingham, Alabama

The cutoff date for advance registration is Friday, May 25, 2018.

Lodge Name: _____ Lodge #: _____ Member #: _____

Member Name: _____

Title: _____

Are you a State Officer? ___ Yes ___ No Are you a PSP? ___ Yes ___ No Are you a PER? ___ Yes ___ No

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Spouse / Guests Attending:

Spouse: _____

Guest: _____

Guest: _____

Please indicate below the total number of people in your party and the registration amount enclosed:

NUMBER ATTENDING	REGISTRATION* (Banquet Guaranteed)	ON SITE REGISTRATION**	TOTAL AMOUNT
	\$45.00	\$60.00	\$

***PRE-REGISTRATION - Guarantees Banquet Tickets**

****ON SITE REGISTRATION - Banquet Tickets - As Available**

Make checks payable to: Alabama Elks Association

Mail your completed registration forms and fees to:

Alabama Elks Convention Registration, 2452 Battles Road, Ashford, Alabama 36312

Questions: jgordon@graceba.net