



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

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Fellow Members,

Fall is officially here. That means our annual fall picnic is coming up. On October 27th, we will have a day of fun on the patio with dragon racing, corn hole and many other activities. We will have our annual **BBQ COOK OFF** so start practicing. We will have prizes for the top 3 BBQ teams. We will have music on the patio provided by DJ Ted Moon. We will also have our very popular charity bingo. Watch your emails for the final details. Plans are still being worked out.

As many of you have probably noticed, the concession stand has been removed. It was in a state of no repair. We have placed vending machines in the same area. Bob Gamble will be assembling a closet around the machines so that they are not visible unless you open the doors. Bob and I will also be remodeling our salad bar. Our Building Fund has reached the level that it is time to start the updating projects. If anyone would like to help me in planning and obtaining bids please let me know.

Thanks to all of you that read the emails and brought contribution for the Hurricane Florence relief effort. Thank you, Pat Edwards, for getting the U-Haul Trailer and delivering all of these much-needed commodities to The Cullman Elks Lodge.

Tom Hartley has set up a table in the "Family Room" with several pieces of information about the Elks National Foundation (ENF). The ENF is where all of grant monies come from. If we continue to grow our ENF membership we will be able to get "bonus grants". With this extra money, Di and her team can do even more for the community. Secretary Di Wilson and her "Think Tank" have applied for and received every grant the ENF offers again this year. If we have a great ENF membership response those grants will only be for more money.

Finally, let me challenge and encourage each of you to bring in new members. We must replace those we lose from health issues and then add more each year to cover natural attrition.

See you at the lodge.

Buzzy Byrom



MEMBERSHIP IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERY LODGE MEMBER. PLEASE DO YOUR PART AND BRING IN AT LEAST ONE NEW MEMBER. REMEMBER, APPLICATION FEE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IS ONLY \$1.00

House Committee

Bills and taxes against the club are paid and current. Inventory of bar and kitchen completed on schedule. Tut Fann vets dinner served 12 on September 6, next visit is October 4. Ice maker, coffee and tea makers have been moved back to the kitchen. New steak knives have been purchased. Kathy Williams is the new club janitor. Replaced wheels on kitchen grease remover unit. **MEMBERS' BREAKFAST RETURNS OCTOBER 6TH.** Breakfast price has changed from \$7 to \$8. The annual Luau was held on the patio September 22 with food and entertainment. Karaoke is now the **FIRST THURSDAY** of the month **ONLY**. Wifi has been enhanced in the lodge rooms to improve POS usage. The HC thanks those members who help the bar staff. Please submit in writing or come to the HC meeting with any ideas to better the club operations. Thank you all.

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

HOUSE RULES; Club Utilization:

B. The use of the Club by any party must be scheduled in advanced through the Club Manager. Schedules are subject to review and approval by the House Committee. Schedule changes due to the exercise of a higher priority must be made with the Club Manager at least 60 days in advance.

WHAT IS THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION: HOW CAN I HELP?

Tom Hartley: Lodge 1648 ENF Fundraising Chairman

What Is the Elks National Foundation (ENF)? At the 1928 Elks Grand lodge Convention the ENF was founded with an initial \$100,000 grant. The mission of the ENF is to help Elks build stronger communities. This pledge is fulfilled by investing in communities where Elks live and work. Youth are helped to develop lifelong skills, students are sent to college, veteran's assistance is provided, charitable work of state Elks associations is supported and Elk's communities quality of life projects are funded.

During the 2017-2018 grant year our Lodge received a total of \$17,500 in grant monies which was used to support the Floyd E. "Tut" Fann Veterans Home, Harvest Youth Club, homeless veterans, Kids to Love and Farley Elementary School. Our Lodge applied for and received all grant monies available for the 2018-2019 grant year. Every \$1.00 donated by our Lodge results in \$3.34 being returned to us in the form of grant monies.

How Can I Help? Glad you asked that! Tax-Deductible Donations are the Lifeblood of ENF.

Online Donation: Easiest way to donate.

Go to: enf.elks.org/give. Follow instructions to donate.

Check Sent To: Huntsville, AL No. 1648, PO Box 352, Huntsville, AL 35804-0352. Make check out to: ENF.

Monthly Giving Program (Fidelity Club): Automatic, regularly scheduled donations (hassle free way to donate regularly). Go to www.enf.elks.org/recurring. Follow instructions to donate.

Workplace Donation: Automatic payroll deductions (some employers will match your donation).

Tribute Donation: Donation in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone/something. Same Online Donation instructions as above or obtain an easy downloadable form to complete/mail (contact Tom Hartley for assistance).

Most Valuable Named Scholarship Program Donation: Yours/another name on a scholarship for a deserving high school senior student (contact Tom Hartley).

Other Means to Donate are Available

Thank you for your benevolent support. Please visit the ENF information table at the Lodge. Contact Tom Hartley at (256) 539-4093 with any questions.



SECRETARY NEWS

MEMBERSHIP - We are starting our 7th month of our Lodge year. This means that the gray, six-month card will no longer allow you access to the Club. Dues (\$43) for the 2nd half of the year were due October 1st and spouse card \$5. Door key card reader will be changed so that only the yellow card will get you in. We still have a great many members that are delinquent, they have not paid their dues, that were to be paid by April 1, 2018. A list of these members is posted in our foyer, please look at the list and if you know any of them, contact them and ask them to come back to our Lodge and take part in the many fun things we are doing. Also remember that for the month of October reinstatement and application fee is only \$1. Once voted on or initiated, the dues will be prorated for 2018-2019.

GRANTS - IMPACT GRANT - We are still working with this grant and doing great things at Farley Elementary School. We have tutors lined up to help with reading. We also will be working with **HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY** this year. We are excited to have two great schools with which to share our grant and everything that goes along with it.

PROMISE GRANT is being used with "Kids to Love" again this year. Cathy Kulas and Jan Abbott will be doing their backpack program with them again as well as Christmas. Thanks to everyone that donated school supplies to our "basket" in the hallway. This will go a long way to fill the backpacks. As part of this grant they will be taking meals to the students in the KTEC classes there. These classes train students in Electrical and Mechanical Components, Electric Drives, Hydraulic Control Circuits, and Digital Fundamentals and Programmable Logic Controls. They will be able to work in an auto factory and many other areas of specialized training. When Cathy and Jan went over to talk about the meals, they were told "you are a God send", we didn't know who was going to step up for us. Please, if these ladies ask for a little help, be willing to help them. **Our grants MUST have Elk member involvement.**



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:

We are sad to report the loss of a dear member, Mr. John Tumminello. Love and prayers to his family. Marilyn Wright (spouse of Taylor Wright) lost her sister this past month. Please remember these also: Darwin Baker, Janette Jones, Sherry Yarbrough, Wayne Tucker, Allen Cathy, Ed Aagesen, Phillip Towry, Ringo Umbaugh, and Steve Ellzey. If anyone should know of a member that is ill or has passed away, please let us know. We should also remember those that have been misplaced by the storm Florence.

*Be kind to your fellowman -
Chaplain Bob Richmond*

Join in the fun:

QUEEN OF HEARTS FUNDRAISER
Every Friday Night

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.*

2018-2019 OFFICERS

Exalted Ruler, Jerry "Buzzy" Byrom
Esteemed Leading Knight, Jan Abbott
Esteemed Loyal Knight, Nicole Anderson
Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Michael Hepler
Secretary, Dianna Wilson
Treasurer, John Bell
Chaplain, Bob Richmond
Esquire, Charles Brown
Tiler, Gary Lunsford
Inner Guard, Randy Speegle

TRUSTEES

1 Year, Mary Cannon 2 Year, Randy Morris
3 Year, Phillip Towry 4 Year, Mike Davis
5 Year, Louis Tumminello



If you would be willing to work one Sunday every
two months at BINGO, it would take a tremen-
dous load off those that work regularly. We no
longer have the concession stand and that means
that we no longer have to have someone for it.
We need floor workers to sell bingo tickets and
listen for those that have a bingo.

**BINGO IS THE LIFEBLOOD OF OUR
YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS!!**

Happy Birthday

October Birthdays:

- 2 Allen Moore, Wick Taylor
- 4 Dennis Atkins
- 5 Ruth Lavine, Louis Tumminello, Vickie Wright
- 6 John Carson, Melissa Hays, Chris Lovoy
- 7 Jack Rogers, Randall Glen Thorneberry
- 8 Stephanie Sutton
- 9 Mike Wisner
- 10 Chad Gilreath, Jeanne Herrin, Mary Woodfin-Villano
- 11 Margaret Fall, Pat Shadrick
- 12 George Cascio, Louis Citrano, Jim Ferguson
- 13 Tom Hargrove
- 15 Bruce Foley
- 16 Ben Robinson, Levoy Smartt
- 17 Ernie Marone, Roy Ponder, Bob Richmond
- 18 Sonya Teague, Kevin Wilbourn
- 19 Daniel Banks
- 20 Sam Tumminello
- 21 Chris Kulas, Paul Woodfin
- 22 Michelle Cheek, Walter Quick, Wayne Wimberly
- 23 Joe Whitt
- 24 Pam Gilbert, Mark Wilbourn
- 25 Lexi Carpenter
- 27 Matthew Bradford, Diana Moore
- 29 Tommy Fish, Bunky Rollins
- 30 Jimmie Musick, Kurt Taylor

ELKS PATRIOTISM . . .

WORLD WAR II

Submitted by Tom Hartley

Elks Patriotism and generosity was clearly evident all through-
out World War II. The Elks contributed to the war effort by providing
for the members of the armed forces both abroad and at home.
During World War II, Elks lodges spearheaded local recruitment
efforts, directly helping to enlist more than 142,000 men into the
armed forces as well as thousands of construction specialists who
dramatically aided the war effort. Additionally, more than 400
lodges conducted refresher courses that qualified thousands of
young men for training as Army flying cadets. The Elks also real-
ized the need to boost the morale of servicemen stationed far from
home. Across the country, the Elks sponsored 155 Elks fraternal
centers, where GIs were invited to relax, socialize, and enjoy the
hospitality of the Elks. More than one million servicemen visited
the center in New York City. For those serving overseas, the Elks
prepared and sent care packages containing candy, ceased, the
Elks Grand Lodge had spent more than \$1.5 million, while local
lodges spent hundreds of thousands of dollars more to provide as-
sistance to our men in uniform. In 1999, the Elks approved a res-
olution pledging an amount equal to \$1 per member to the National
World War II Memorial located at the National Mall in Washington,
DC. This memorial will preserve the memory of the more than 16
million people who served in World War II. The Elks exceeded their
pledge to this Memorial, generating more than \$1.22 million.

Next month: **Elks Patriotism (Korea and Vietnam).**

Karaoke -

Thursday

October 4 and

November 1

6:00 - 10:00 p.m.



OCTOBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTICE CHANGE IN KITCHEN OPEN DAYS Happy Hour all day on Sundays	1 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00 Happy Hour Mon.-Sat. 3-6	2 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee 5:30	3 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Try some Chicken Wraps or Quesadillas</i> Texas Holdem 6:30	4 Open 3:00 <i>Chicken Fried Steak 5:00-9:00</i> Tut Fann Vets Karaoke 6:00-10:00	5 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 STEAK NIGHT Queens 8:00	6 BREAKFAST 9:00-10:30 \$8.00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Football in Club
7 Open 2:00 KITCHEN CLOSED May carry in food BINGO 5:30 Team: Brown	8 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	9 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00	10 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Try a Pork Chop Sand.</i> Texas Holdem 6:30	11 Open 3:00 <i>Chicken Buffet 5:00-9:00</i> Civil War Roundtable 6:30	12 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Try some Catfish</i> Queens 8:00	13 Open 11:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Football in Club
14 Open 2:00 Kitchen Closed May Carry in Food BINGO 5:30 Team: Abbott	15 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	16 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee 5:30	17 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Try some Sliders</i> Texas Holdem 6:30	18 Open 3:00 <i>Beef Tips and Noodles 5:00-9:00</i>	19 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Try a Pork Chop</i> Queens 8:00	20 Open 11:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Football in Club
21 Open 2:00 Kitchen Closed May Carry in Food BINGO 5:30 Team: Hepler	22 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	23 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING Initiation 7:00 DD Eddie Pickle Here	24 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 ER BIRTHDAY DINNER 7:00	25 Open 3:00 Shrimp Boil 5:00-9:00	26 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Queens 8:00	27 Open 11:00 Family Picnic Patio open 5:00 DJ Ted Moon Football in Club
28 Open 2:00 Kitchen Closed May Carry in Food BINGO 5:30 Team: Anderson	29 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	30 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed	31 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30 <i>Wear your Halloween Costume</i>	November 1 KARAOKE 6-10	November 2 Open 3:00	November 3 BREAKFAST 9:00-10:30 \$8.00



ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC

OCTOBER 27TH

BBQ COOKOFF CONTEST

1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners

DJ TED MOON BRINGING GREAT MUSIC

PATIO OPENS 5:00

COST: \$10 PER PERSON

BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT

Check your email for details to follow.



WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

Michelle Ullman, Allen Moore and Lisa Byrom Ratcliff, we look forward to seeing you in the Lodge and Club and hopefully you will find a spot that you would like to help us out and volunteer some of your time.

BREAKFAST IS BACK!!!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6TH!

Join your friends and fellow Elks for one of the best kept secrets in town -

A great buffet breakfast:
eggs, hash browns, biscuits, gravy, sausage,
bacon, fried bologna, sliced tomatoes,
juice, coffee,
AND
“bloody Mary or mimosa”.

ONLY \$8.00

9:00 – 10:30

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR!

We have a busy next few months. Our **VETERANS** will be here for dinner on Thursday, October 4th. **BREAKFAST** returns on Saturday, October 6th. Our **DISTRICT DEPUTY, EDDIE PICKLE** will be here on October 23rd for our Lodge Meeting; **ER BIRTHDAY DINNER** Wednesday, October 24th; **FAMILY PICNIC** October 27th, **HALLOWEEN** is October 31st, so wear your favorite costume to the Lodge. **The Veterans' Day Parade** is Monday, November 12th, if you would like to participate, please let the Secretary know. As part of our **Beacon Grant** we will be donating turkeys for Thanksgiving dinner to Tut Fann; **ELKS BREAKFAST AND THEN AUCTION** is Saturday, December 1st; **ELKS MEMORIAL** Sunday, December 2nd; **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** with our children, Harvest Youth Club and Sparkman Homes Boys and Girls Club will be Wednesday, December 12th; **FAMILY AND DIRTY SANTA CHRISTMAS PARTY** is Saturday, December 15th; and the **EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY** is Monday, December 17th.

TINSEL TRAIL - Our Lodge will have a tree on the “Tinsel Trail” in Big Spring Park beginning November 23rd, thanks to Michel Hepler, Pat Lamon and Kathy Young for taking on this project. I am sure they will be asking you to donate lights and ribbon (they will decide on the color) and other things for the tree so check your email.

CHRISTMAS PARADE - Once again our Lodge will be entering a float in the Huntsville Christmas Parade, December 4th. Thanks Julie Brakefield for heading up this fun project. Julie will be asking for volunteers to make this year's float the best one ever. Parade theme this year is “Santa's Workshop”. If you would like to have your children ride on the float, please let Julie know, also if you plan to walk behind the float, she needs to know this also. We have several forms to fill out and send in by NOVEMBER 2, no exceptions.

ER BIRTHDAY DINNER: OCTOBER 24TH. Members (dues paid) that have birthdays in August, September, and October are treated to a “cooked to order” steak or chicken dinner, wine and birthday cake. Guests may participate for \$10 each. **FORMS ARE IN THE ENTRY WAY (LEFT SIDE), PLEASE FILL ONE OUT AND GIVE TO BARTENDER.**