



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

October, 2019

October Message from the ER

It is good to be able to address you once again as your ER. What a privilege to have the opportunity to be ER and work with so many wonderful people and do so many good things in our community.

The first thing that I would like to touch on is membership. Remember that during the months of September and October the petition fee is only \$1.00. That is basically a 30% discount!! This is an area that we really need to focus on and address. The qualified people that you know who are not members, please present them with an opportunity to become members. The fact is that membership has been declining for the past several years and we are now under 500 members.

I am at this point giving you the members notice that a properly presented motion to change the by-laws to make Huntsville Lodge 1648 a non smoking facility has been presented. This motion will be brought up for discussion, amendment, and voting on at the October 22nd meeting. This is an issue that has been a sore spot and as ER I believe that the membership has the right and obligation to voice their opinion. I am in hopes that this will put the issue to rest one way or the other.

We have elected a new treasurer due to the resignation by John Bell due to health issues. Bob Crook, who has done accounting work, has been the treasurer for the Huntsville Symphony Orchestra and from what I understand from the Orchestra took the job when they were on the verge of bankruptcy and was part of putting them on solid financial ground. Bob is also the quickbooks consultant which does not hurt either as we are transitioning to quick books now. Welcome Bob.

My last point to address is meeting attendance. I realize that as many of you have gotten older, getting out and driving at night is not an option. However we would really like to see you at the meetings, and your opinion counts. If those of you who do attend meetings happen to know another member in this situation, please offer them a ride. If you want to know what is going on you need to attend at least the first meeting of the month.

Let's exhibit the qualities of Elkdom in our daily lives, those around you may become curious!

Charles Brown

Exalted Ruler, Elks Lodge No. 1648



New Members - Greg Welzan, Julie Schenck-Brown, Cristi Little, Kim Oliver, Gary Greymuth, Shane Wilson. Please make these folks feel welcome.

House Committee

Taxes and bills against the club are paid and current. Monthly inventory of the kitchen and bar completed. Tut Fann Dinner served 21 on September 5. Next dinner is October 3. Welcome our new bartender, Rebekah Bramlett. New tablecloths have been purchased for dining tables. Repairs have been made to a wooden structure on the patio by member Bob Gamble. The great Members Breakfast returns to the lodge on October 5. Join fellow members and guests for this event from 9:00-10:30. The HC thanks those members who help out the lounge staff with club operations. Please submit any ideas or suggestions to better the club in writing or come to a HC meeting which is the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 5:30. Thank you all.

A big thank you to the members who bring pot luck on Sundays.

Your House Committee:

Pat Edwards, Chairman

David Burkett

Billy Carlton

Billy Herndon

Cathy Kulas

Dusty Graham

Nicole Anderson

HOUSE RULES:

Administrative:

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



September Birthdays:

- 1 Joe Mahan
- 2 C. Wilson Taylor III
- 4 Dennis W. Atkins
- 5 Lela Ruth Lavine, Louis R. Tumminello, Vickie T. Wright
- 6 John E. Carson, Melissa Woods Hays, Charles Christopher Lovoy
- 7 Jack K. Rogers, Randall Glen Throneberry
- 8 Stephanie L. Sutton
- 9 Michael K. Wisner
- 10 Adam Chad Gilreath, Mary Woodfin
- 11 Margret W. Fall, Patricia Shadrick
- 12 George Cascio, Michael L. Childers, Louis James Citrano
- 15 Bruce A. Foley
- 16 Ben Robinson, Levoy Smartt
- 17 Ernie Marone, Roy Wheeler Ponder, Robert J. Richmond
- 18 Sonya D. Teague, Kevin Wilbourn
- 19 Daniel B. Banks
- 20 Sam J. Tumminello
- 21 Chris Al Kulas, Paul M. Woodfin
- 22 Mechelle Cheek
- 22 Walter M. Quick, Wayne Wimberley
- 23 Joe Bob Whitt
- 24 Mark Alan Wilbourn
- 26 Donald R. Looney
- 27 Mathew Bradford, Diana Sue Moore
- 29 Tommy Fish
- 30 Jimmie Musick, Kurt R. Taylor

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: kathylockridge@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.*

**RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT -
MEMBERSHIP IS IMPORTANT
TO ALL OF US!!!**



**Join in the fun:
QUEEN OF HEARTS
FUNDRAISER
Every Friday Night**



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:

Bill Abbott is having some health issues.

Randy Speegle is having some tests.

Please keep these members in your prayers.

OCTOBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30	2 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	3 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Fried Steak</i> Tut Fann Vets	4 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	5 Open 2:00 Members Breakfast 9:00-10:30
6 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	7 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	8 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00 Voting on Candidates	9 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	10 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Buffet</i> Civil War Roundtable 6:30	11 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	12 Open 2:00 Join us for FOOTBALL! Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
13 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	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	16 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	17 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Beef Tips and Noodles</i>	18 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	19 Open 2:00 Join us for FOOTBALL! Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
20 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	21 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	22 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00 Initiation of New Members	23 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	24 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Meat Loaf</i>	25 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	26 Open 2:00 Join us for FOOTBALL! Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
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EVERY SUNDAY
4:30 p.m.

BINGO HELPERS NEEDED!

Would you be willing to donate 4 hours a month or bi-monthly to help our Bingo teams? Remember, our Bingo money goes to our scholarships. Without Bingo, we would not be able to help so many deserving young people with their college education. If you have a high school senior that is going to need financial help, let us know and we can get you an application for the scholarships. (bpoe1648@gmail.com).



**SUGGESTED FORM OF MOTION TO AMEND
A SPECIFIC SECTION OF BY-LAWS OR HOUSE RULES**

MOVED, by Member Peter Farrell membership number 3711, that (or part of) ARTICLE I, SECTION1, of the By-laws of Huntsville Lodge No. 1648, now reading as follows:

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1. This Lodge, under the provisions of its Dispensation and Charter shall be known as Huntsville Lodge No. 1648, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, of which this Lodge is a constituent member, is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code, and this Lodge will operate at all times in conformity with those requirements.

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ARTICLE 1 SMOKING

Section 1: This Lodge is a non-smoking lodge inside the building.

Introduced at the Lodge meeting on 9/24/19; Voted on _____.
Total Present for Voting _____ ; Votes FOR _____ Votes AGAINST _____



**REMEMBER –
FIRST SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH
9:00 – 10:30
THE GREAT ELK BREAKFAST**

