



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

June, 2021

Exalted Ruler's Message



It's great to see the attendance at the Lodge increasing! Some of the activities that have come back and that have been successful are Derby Day, Casino Night, Bar Bingo, and cards. Dining has also increased. One of our activities upcoming is the Golf Tournament on July 10th at Colonial Golf Course with the Calcutta the Friday night before. Players need to sign up fast! Entry forms will be emailed out or can be picked up from the bartenders. If you would like to help with the tournament, please get with our Officers.

Membership has been increasing! Thank you to the Membership Committee and the sponsors of new members that have been brought into the Lodge. Please make new members feel welcome as they are the future of our Lodge.

Remember there are only a few Shoot-Out tickets and Camp ASCCA tickets left. These will be turned in at the State Convention on June 3rd.

The Gratitude Grant has been submitted for approval. The new By-Laws and House rules have been sent to the Grand Lodge for approval.

Posted on the Bulletin Board is the Grand Lodge Session for Proposed Lodge and State Association Resolutions. These Resolutions have been sent to each Lodge for memberships to vote on. Please take the time to review these resolutions for our voting will be conducted on June 8th Lodge meeting and I will present results at the Grand Lodge Convention in July.

Order of Statues Annotated:

Section 2.030 The Grand Lodge has granted Elks Lodge 1648 a dispensation for a different day for the ritual of Flag Day.

Our Flag Day ritual will be Saturday June 12th. See Flag Day Flyer on page 2.

Remember Father's Day is June 20th. It is also the first day of Summer. Let's all get out and enjoy.

Elks Care, Elks Share,
Mike Davis
Exalted Ruler



FLAG DAY CEREMONY, JUNE 12, 2021, 1pm

HUNTSVILLE ELKS LODGE 1648, MEETING ROOM

Please join us in celebrating the commemoration of our Stars and Stripes during our annual Elks Flag Day Ceremony. Ceremony includes:

- Flag Retirement Services
- History of the Flag

This year's event will be limited to Members and their families.

Come join us and take a STAND FOR YOUR FLAG!

For more information or to provide input to the ceremony,

Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 1st at 5pm

House Committee

Taxes and bills against the club are paid.

Hope everyone had a great Memorial Day and kept in mind the true meaning and remembered the sacrifices that made our country great!

Business and events are picking up so be sure to watch for food and drink specials. Keep your ideas for new activities coming and also any concerns can be brought to your house committee for discussion. We're looking forward to seeing all members and are excited to have our new members participating on our many committees. Thanks to all and see you soon.

Your House Committee:

Pat Edwards, Chairman
Billy Herndon, Acting Chairman
Janice West
Billy Carlton
David Burkett
Ed Limback
Peg Rathz

Elks Lodge Officers 2021-2022

Exalted Ruler - Mike Davis
Leading Knight - Mike West
Loyal Knight - Kathy Pierce
Lecturing Knight - Cathy Kulas
Secretary - Nicole Anderson
Treasurer - Stan Cannon
5 Year Trustee - Phillip Towry
4 Year Trustee - Jan Abbott
3 Year Trustee - Jay Lockridge
2 Year Trustee - Louis Tumminello
1 Year Trustee - Mary Cannon
Chaplain - Sally Culver
Esquire - Peggy Rathz
Tiler - Janice West
Inner Guard - Tammy Robertson

Happy Birthday

May Birthdays:

1 Ron Springsteen, Terry Yarbrough
6 Robert Gamble, Gary Smith
8 Matthew Danner
9 Robert Benson, William (Bill) Thomas
10 Huff Sanders
11 Peter E. Farrell
12 F. Stanley Fuller
13 Pat H. McIngvale, Cynthia Vandiver
14 Christopher Neece, Joyce Nelson, Jimmy R. Pemberton
15 Lisa Ratcliff
17 Len Johnson
20 Gregory Ringo Umbaugh
21 William Mahan
22 Fred Rodrigue, Larry R. Whitt
23 Rex Reynolds
24 David Mark Holman
25 Kenneth Ratcliff
29 Nicole Anderson, Rand Gaylord

Secretary's Corner

Currently our lodge has 68 delinquent members for year 2021-2022.

We still have eight (8) Shoot-Out tickets available for purchase at \$100 each. Please see Mike Davis or Nicole Anderson for purchase. These tickets will be turned in at the Alabama Annual Convention in June for a \$10,000 winner to be drawn!

Please remember that only members current on their dues may enter the building and they cannot sign in "delinquent" members as guests.

Annual dues for 2021-2022 Year are \$108.00.

Spouse cards and replacement cards are \$5.00.

Payments can be made when you come in. Please put your payment in the Secretary's Box on wall to the left of double glass doors.

Secretary hours are on Tuesdays and some Wednesdays from 5pm-7pm at the Elks Lodge and always by email at nicole-anderson@comcast.net

Nicole ♥

Grant Committee 2021-2022

The Gratitude Grant has been submitted for approval.

Your Grant Committee,

- Pam Holden, Chairman: Spotlight, Impact, Promise, Gratitude Grants
- Ed Limback, Chairman: Beacon and Freedom Grants
- Nicole Anderson
- Tom Rathz
- Peg Rathz
- Cathy Kulas
- Mike West

*If anyone would like to help participate in the 2021-2022 grants this year please email the Elks Lodge Secretary, Nicole Anderson at nicole-anderson@comcast.net

Audit and Financing Committee 2021-2022

- Greg Welzyn
- Lenny Johnson
- Tom Rathz

Golf Committee

The Golf Committee is looking for hole sponsors and volunteers. The tournament will be held on July 10th at The Colonial Golf Course in Meridianville, Alabama.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Please contact Sally Culver for any sickness and distress.














Email sallyculver@bellsouth.net

Phone 256-508-2834.

JUNE 2021

Sunday BINGO requires all volunteers and players to wear a face mask at all times.
NO SMOKING inside the Bingo gaming area.

Please remember it is your responsibility to help keep our lodge healthy!
Please wash your hands often and practice social distancing ☺

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	2 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	3 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Liquor Specials! 	4 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	5 Open 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Pizza Beer Specials! 
6 Open 2:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed BINGO 4:30 p.m.	7 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	8 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	9 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	10 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Liquor Specials! 	11 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	12 Elks Lodge Flag Day - 1:00 p.m. Open - 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Pizza Beer Specials! 
13 Open 2:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed BINGO 4:30 p.m.	14 Flag Day Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	15 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	16 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	17 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Liquor Specials! 	18 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	19 Open 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Pizza Beer Specials! 
20 Father's Day Open 2:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed BINGO 4:30 p.m.	21 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	22 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Lodge Meeting 7:00 p.m.	23 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	24 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m. Liquor Specials! 	25 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	26 Open 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Pizza Beer Specials! 
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Tennessee Valley Civil War Round Table Schedule:

June 10: Soldiers in Hoop Skirts: Spies, Nurses and other Fighting Women in the Civil War (Delores Hydock)
July 8: Sgt. Gilbert Henderson Bates: The March that Ended the War (John Thompson)
August 12: Targeted Tracks: Cumberland Railroad at War (Scott Mingus)
September 9: Hood's Retreat from Nashville (John Scales)
October 14: Landmines: The Hidden Horrors of War (Ken Rutherford)
November 11: War, Memory, and the 1913 Gettysburg Reunion (Thomas Flagel)
December: No CWRT

Little War Round Table Schedule:

June 24: Vicksburg Campaign, Part 8- Port Hudson and Campaign Recap (Emil Posey)
July 22: Trading with the Enemy (Jeff Ewing)
August 26: Armistead and Garnet – Parallel Lives (Emil Posey)
September 23: Western Theater July-Dec 1863 (TBD)
October 28: Vicksburg-Gettysburg – A Comparison (Jeff Ewing)
November: No LWRT
December 9: How Developments in Missouri Shaped the War (Fred Forst)

Veteran's Corner

A request from Tutt Fann are some goodies below that Elk Members can bring to the lodge for donation.

- Little Debbie Snacks (nutty bars, oatmeal pies, etc.)
- Hostess Snacks (powdered donuts, twinkies, cupcakes)
- Mini can Coke products
- Rice Crispy treats, Cracker Jacks, chocolate bars and candies like M&Ms, etc.

Thanks,
Ed Limback

Mike Kessler
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler
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The Bulletin Board

Cathy Kulas is still collecting bottle lids/caps
(medicine, vitamin, soda, juice, and
milk caps, etc.)
for the Impact Grant.

Membership Matters—A Lot

By Rick Gathen
GL Membership and
Public Relations



EVERY MEMBER of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is important in improving the quality of life in our local Elks communities, and, in turn, improving the Elks communities as a whole. We pledge never to forget our veterans. Our programs help special-needs children and help our nation's youth with scholarships and drug prevention programs. We offer countless opportunities for social activities and new friendships. We are the premier charitable and patriotic organization in the United States.

With nearly 800,000 members working toward this great goal, no wonder the Elks are referred to as the **Best People On Earth**.

Your membership in the Elks matters to millions of deserving Americans. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks would not be the organization it is today without your membership. There is a tangible and emotional benefit we all receive in return for the dues we pay.

Please remember—We all matter just by paying our annual dues!

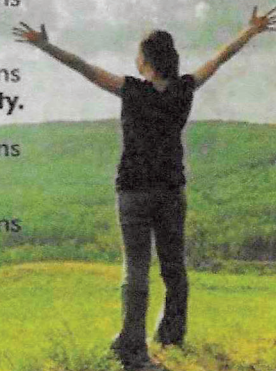
Thank you to each member of the Elks

Look at your Elks membership as a means
for a better future for our youth.

Look at your Elks membership as a means
for a better future for your community.

Look at your Elks membership as a means
for a better future for our veterans.

Look at your Elks membership as a means
for a better future for our nation.



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