



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

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Exalted Ruler's Message



Hello Elk Members,

I want to thank those of you who are supporting our Lodge and respecting their fellow Elks on the Covid-19 restrictions. Please keep your distance and wear your mask when not eating or drinking. If you have been around anyone who has tested positive, please quarantine yourself and do not return to the Lodge for 10 to 14 days. Our members are valuable to us.

We had the State Convention in Birmingham in August. Our Lodge was presented with a \$3,000 check. These funds are usually used for the Christmas party, Harvest Youth and drug awareness in December.

The District Deputy Clinic also took place in August. We were informed that most Lodges in the North Alabama area were having the same Covid-19 problems as we are having with attendance. I was just notified that our Lodge will be receiving \$1,500 from the Grand Lodge to help with finances.

Congratulations to our Grant Committee. They have received approval for the Beacon Grant. This committee has received all our grants requested except two. Good Job!!

The Membership Committee has done a great job bringing in new members. Please bring in your friends and family and show them what good things the Lodge does for our community. Please remember to sign in all guests and be responsible for them while in the Lodge.

The Board of Directors has had several workshops to get the Lodge structure back in place in accordance with the Grand Lodge Statues. These changes must be made and should be accepted by our members.

The House Committee is also going through changes with the inner structure by the Grand Lodge Statues. They have been working hard to increase our member participation and activities. Kitchen open days and hours have been extended. Additional changes will also be made for the upcoming football season. We all are looking forward to a little more normal.

A special thank you to Mike West for accepting a temporary position of House Committee Chairman in the absence of Pat Edwards. Great Job House Committee!

The Hoop-Shoot program has been cancelled for the upcoming year due to Covid-19.

Remember, delinquent notices for dues will be going out soon. If we do not have your e-mail address, please provide it to one of our Officers or put it in the Secretary box in the lounge. It is important so you can stay informed of the Lodge's business. For all the Lodge business come to the meetings. Starting in September the lodge meeting is back every second and fourth Tuesday.

Be Safe,
Michael L. Davis, Exalted Ruler

House Committee

Taxes and bills against the club are paid.

We want to welcome back so many of you over the past weeks to the #1648 Club! We encourage you to join us as we expand activities all the while requesting all members and guests continue to follow suggested COVID-19 safety protocols while enjoying yourselves. Kitchen is now open 4-8pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday's at this time . . . come join us for appetizers and dinner along with a beverage!

Friday after 4pm and Sunday after 2pm are big days to enjoy friends as this is our most popular patio day to join the outdoor fun and cornhole games are available each of those days. Monday's are fun time Bar Bingo, Wednesday's are Poker Night and that group is always looking for new players. Thursday's we are running some of your favorite food specials . . . yum! Friday's is once again our big dinner night where great steaks highlight the menu. Saturday nights we are starting Left / Right / Center games, at least one poker table available and some more games you may enjoy!

College football is right around the corner with kick-off on September 26th - we will open early at 2pm. We will be bringing you some highlights to make the day of games more enjoyable. However, a reminder to all, even though you may have food delivered on days the kitchen is closed, covered dish tailgating is still prohibited due to COVID-19 safety. Again, our employees are cleansing areas and we are making your #1648 Club a safe place for you to come and have fun again! JOIN US THIS WEEK!

Thank You,
Mike West

Your House Committee:
Pat Edwards, Chairman
Nicole Anderson
David Burkett
Billy Carlton
Billy Herndon
Ed Limback
Mike West

Happy Birthday

September Birthdays:

- 2 Martin Cousins, Kimberly Oliver, Claude Snoddy
- 3 Barbara Plonka, Donald White
- 4 Pamela Burt, Tatiana Kontoulakos
- 5 Gregory Aweau, Lisa Norton
- 6 Brenda Miller
- 7 George Wilson
- 8 Gary Freymuth, Phillip Gore
- 9 John C. Johnson
- 10 Peggy Rathz
- 11 Tim Barnes, Lee Buffaloe, Bruce Tehan
- 12 Paula Andrews, Chuck Curry, James D. Freeman
- 15 Juergen Kampmeier, Richard Markwalter, Alan Persall
- 17 Jimmy Spruill
- 19 James Bragg Jr., Valerie Craig, Donald E. Horst
Michelle Ullman, Justin West
- 20 Doug Browner
- 21 Robert A. Allen, Frank Chargualaf, Richard A. Kempaner
John Kvach, C Owens
- 22 Sue Bagett, James Mike Hawkins
- 23 Sherry Ammons
- 24 Edward Hopper, Sherrill McBrayer, Kelly Reed
- 25 Cristi Little, James D. Magnusson, David McLain
- 26 Barbara Clark, Kenneth Rainey, Terri Tucker
- 28 Dugald McMillan
- 30 Heidrun Admire, Michael Graham, Charles Swanson



Secretary's Corner

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 2020-2021 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 ♥

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

*Our Elks sister and dear friend, Lois Smith,
passed away Sunday, August 23rd
at 93 years young.*

She will be missed dearly.

Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.

*Please contact Sally Culver for any sickness and distress.
Email sallyculver@bellsouth.net
Phone 256-508-2834.*

Elks Lodge Officers 2020-2021

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

Audit and Financing Committee 2020-2021

- Greg Welzyn
- Lenny Johnson
- Tom Rathz

Patrick James
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler
256-338-2599 patrickajames68@gmail.com







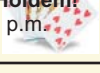






SEPTEMBER 2020

**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 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed Beer Specials! 
6 Open 2:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed BINGO 4:30 p.m.	7 LABOR DAY 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 Open 4:00 p.m. Kitchen Closed Beer Specials! 
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The Bulletin Board

We would like to give a shout out to some of our members who volunteer their time to work Bar Bingo on Monday evenings.
Julie Brakefield, John Moore, Cathy Kulas, Janice West, Sandra Sharp, and JuLee Couch . . .
thank you very much!

Cathy Kulas is collecting
“gently used” books for young children
(especially Dr. Seuss books).
Please bring any children books to the lodge to be donated to HAPPI Clinic for waiting room usage and children to take home.

Cathy Kulas is still collecting bottle caps
(medicine, vitamin, soda, etc.) for the Impact Grant.
We would like to extend our gratitude to Boeing and Republic Recycling Services for sponsoring this program.

Grant Committee 2020-2021

August has been a busy month for the Grant Committee. Our application for the Beacon Grant was APPROVED and will be awarded \$3500.00! These funds will be used to help the veterans at Tut Fann as well as assisting homeless veterans living in the Huntsville metro area through Stand Down Huntsville, Inc.

We have finalized details for the Spotlight Grant Baby Shower with the HAPPI Clinic. Flyers will be posted throughout the Lodge listing essential newborn items the clinic would like to distribute to young mothers in need. The baby shower will be held mid-October, a final date will be posted in October newsletter. If you are unable to attend, please consider dropping off a donation at the club. Our goal is to provide supplies for 50 infants. Anything you can do to help us meet this goal will be greatly appreciated.

Listed below are supplies requested by the HAPPI Clinic:

Diapers (Size 1 or 2)	Pacifiers (0-6months)
Diaper Rash Cream	Baby Wash /Lotion
Baby Wipes	Infant Books
Baby Bottles	Baby Thermometers
Halo Swaddle Blanket Sleep-sack (Size Small)	
Anything else you would like to give a newborn baby	

Your Grant Committee,

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

*If anyone would like to help participate in the 2020-2021 grants this year please email the Elks Lodge Secretary, Nicole Anderson at nicole-anderson@comcast.net

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



Above, Robin Lockwood, Secretary at Holy Family, posing with 17 bags of bottle caps that Cathy Kulas turned in. Thanks to all who helped in the collection! That is 29,110 caps you see in the picture. Holy caps!!!!