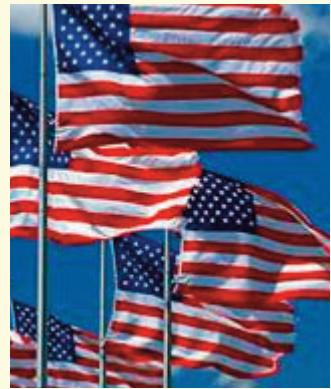




# The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

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## Exalted Ruler's Message

The Holiday season has arrived. I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving with family and friends.

The Lodge has several events planned for December. Dirty Santa will be on December 10th. The Lodge Christmas party will be December 18th. Tickets can be purchased from the bartenders. E-mails will be sent with more information. The Grant Committee will be delivering 140 gift bags to the Harvest Youth Club and Boys and Girls Club.

The Iron Bowl party held on November 27th was a big success! Lots of Auburn and Alabama fans were in attendance with lots of food and fun. Alabama 24 Auburn 22.

Your Leading Knight, Mike West, and his wife Janice West, our Lodge Tiler, attended the Cullman Lodge on November 20th to welcome Carl Brown, our Elks State President.

The east entrance to the club has been completed with the installation of the handrails. The new Elks Lodge sign has also been placed on the west side of the Lodge building. General maintenance within the Lodge is continuing. Please be safe and be aware of your surroundings.

Tom Rathz, our Membership Chairman, has brought a request to the Board of Directors, a "Recruiter of the Month" award and GER pin and it was approved. Thank you to all the members for doing a great job in recruiting new members.

A big thank you to Greg Welzyn and Lenny Johnson for their two years of service on the Audit Committee. Both have done an outstanding job. Let's all welcome Kathy Chesser and Katherine Evans to the Audit Committee as Greg Welzyn will be serving on the Club House Committee. Also, Scott Stokes took his officer oath to become your new Inner Guard on November 9th.

The new Budget has been revised and passed on the floor at the meeting November 23rd.

Sunday, December 5th, the Lodge will be holding a Memorial Service for all the members that have passed this year. More info will be announced this week.

If you receive the Alabama Elks newsletter, Huntsville Lodge 1648 has a half page article that is pretty interesting.

Please be safe during the holidays and respect your fellow Elk members. If you are sick, please stay home.

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas!

Elks Care, Elks Share,  
Mike Davis  
Exalted Ruler

## House Committee

Taxes and bills are paid.

Your House Committee wants to thank all members for their participation and involvement with lodge improvements and events this month. With everyone working together lots can be accomplished! We have several activities planned for December, so please plan to attend. As always, the house committee is open to your suggestions or concerns brought to any of our meetings for discussion. Thanks again and happy holidays!

### Your House Committee:

Billy Herndon, Chairman  
Janice West  
David Burkett  
Ed Limback  
Peg Rathz  
Pat Edwards  
Greg Welzyn

## Grant Committee 2021-2022

The Grant Committee is collecting bags of individually wrapped candy/candy bars to include with Christmas gifts for the Boys and Girls Clubs in our area. A red box for your candy donation is located in the club. Please no money . . . just candies!

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](mailto:nicole-anderson@comcast.net)

# Happy Birthday

### December Birthdays:

- 3 Tommy Battle
- 4 Jeffrey Reed, John Towry, Paul E. Turmenne
- 5 Ben Vitale
- 6 Belle Kelly
- 7 Charles L. Jones III, William J. Robinson, Rita Teal Ruple
- 8 Nolan Teddy Bragg
- 9 Michelle Ballard, Anthony Cain, Randy L. Cunningham
- 11 Glenn E. Davenport
- 12 Don H. Carroll Jr., Tommie Flannagan, Thomas B. Reed
- 13 Lois Peck
- 14 John Knott, Michael West
- 15 Angela Parks, Nancy Towry
- 16 Nancy Cousins, Andrew Giddings
- 17 Charles Brown, JuLee Couch, Danny Robinson
- 18 Stephen Grimes
- 19 James Bartee, Nicholas Konovodoff
- 20 Rena Anderson, Carla Weaver
- 21 Raymond Funderburg, Cathy Kulas
- 22 Austin Hamilton, Charles D. Hooper, Julie Schenck-Brown
- 23 Katherine Evans
- 24 Wanda Sanders
- 25 Carl D. Reed, Duane Wilson
- 26 Brenda Buxton, Tommy Dothard
- 27 Robert Salinas
- 31 Max Anderson



## Secretary's Corner

Currently our lodge has 33 delinquent members for year 2021-2022.

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 are \$5.00  
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](mailto:nicole-anderson@comcast.net)

Nicole ♥

## 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 - Scott Stokes

## SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Please contact Sally Culver for any sickness and distress.  
Email [sallyculver@bellsouth.net](mailto:sallyculver@bellsouth.net)  
Phone 256-508-2834.

## Audit and Financing Committee 2021-2022

- Kathy Chesser
- Katherine Evans
- Lenny Johnson
- Tom Rathz

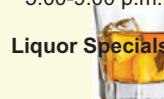
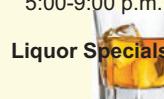
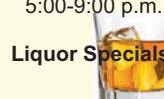
## Membership Committee

Keep up the great recruiting! We have 8 new applicants for November! Some of these were interviewed in November and Orientation is this Friday the 3rd. Initiation is planned for Tuesday December 7th and member support is really needed. Johnny Burks will remain Recruiter of the Month through December because we had no initiations during November. Welcome our new Membership member Sallyanne Cos.

Sallyanne Cos  
Cathy Kulas  
Sally Culver  
Julie Schenck-Brown  
Michelle Ullman  
Peg Rathz  
Tom Rathz

# DECEMBER 2021

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 Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	2 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Liquor Specials! 	3 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	4 Open 2:00 p.m.  Hot Dogs and Pizza  Beer Specials! 
5 Open 2:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed	6 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open  BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	7 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed  House Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	8 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	9 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Liquor Specials! 	10 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Elks Dirty Santa 7:00 p.m.	11 Open 2:00 p.m.  Hot Dogs and Pizza  Beer Specials! 
12 Open 2:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed	13 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open  BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	14 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed  No Meetings	15 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	16 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Liquor Specials! 	17 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.	18 Open 2:00 p.m. Hot Dogs and Pizza Beer Specials! Elks Christmas Dinner and Band 5:00 p.m. 
19 Open 2:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed	20 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open  BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	21 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed  House Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	22 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	23 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Liquor Specials! 	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day  
26 Open 2:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed	27 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open  BAR BINGO 6:00 p.m.	28 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Closed  No Meetings	29 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Texas Holdem! 6:30 p.m. 	30 Open 4:00 p.m.  Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 p.m.  Liquor Specials! 	31 New Year's Eve	

## 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

## Tennessee Valley CWRT Schedule

December: No CWRT

## Little War Round Table Schedule

December 9: How Developments in Missouri Shaped the War  
(Fred Forst)

Mike Kessler  
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks  
District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler  
mwkessler53@charter.net

# Christmas PARTY

At the Elks ~ 1648  
Members and Guests

**Saturday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Dinner:**

Baked Ziti, Nana's Famous Lasagna,  
Italian Green Beans, Italian Bread and Dessert  
Served 5:30-7:00 pm

**Entertainment (Live Band):**

Eric Michael Taylor & the Broken Strings  
7:00- close

**Tickets:**

Dinner & Band Tickets: \$20.00 per person  
Band Only Tickets: \$10.00 per person

\*See your bartender for tickets\*

# The Bulletin Board

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

*Please keep donating as it is helping our schools with funding for equipment and supplies!*

