



The ELKS Call



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Huntsville Elks Lodge No. 1648

September, 2019

September Message from the ER

What a great time to be an Elk! We are now getting into the time of the year where there are more events taking place, which is wonderful for the membership. There are some adjustments to the schedule which need to be made which I will include here and send out a corrected schedule. The first correction which needs to be made is that the tickets for the picnic are \$10.00 and are on sale now. It should also be mentioned that we are asking for the members to bring side dishes to go along with the meat provided by the barbecue cook off. This should be a great time with the games that we have planned along with the charitable casino. April is looking for a few volunteers to help with the dealing so that those who normally work can enjoy the event. The Christmas Party on the 14th is the party for the children. The Octoberfest event is going to move due to fall break being the weekend that it is currently scheduled.

There is discussion which is ongoing concerning the parking lot which is of interest for all of you. There should be some discussion at the meetings over the next two to three months. I am hoping that the transition to Quickbooks will be completed by the end of October to the first of November. This transition will allow us not only to comply with the financial reporting required by Grand Lodge beginning in April of 2020, but also provided a better understanding of what is going on in real time and provide better transparency.

Please take the time to not only enjoy the club if you have not been in a while and also attend the meetings as much as possible. There have been a lot of changes to the Lodge which if you have not been in a while to come down and see. It really is a great example of how your participation and money are being used to create a better experience for you the members. On that note I am hoping that the bylaws committee will present a change which makes the Lodge side of the building completely non smoking.

Sincerely;

Charles Brown, Exalted Ruler, Elks Lodge No. 1648

Upcoming Elks Lodge 1648 Activities

September 7, 2019 - Elks Lodge Fall Picnic and Charity Casino with a Barbecue Cook Off, DJ, and fun and games.
Dinner at 3:00 p.m.; Casino at 6:00 p.m.

September 26, 2019 - Paint Party - *Please note: The flyer on page 6 has Tuesday, Sept. 26 - should be Thursday*

October 12, 2019 - Elks Lodge Octoberfest with German beers and activities

November 2, 2019 - Elks Lodge Golf Tournament

November 9, 2019 - Elks Lodge Veterans Day Event / Date may change

December 2, 2019 - Elks Lodge Employee Christmas Party

December 14, 2019 - Elks Lodge Christmas Party

December 17, 2019 - Elks Lodge Dirty Santa

December 31, 2019 - Possible New Years Eve Party

January 17, 2020 - Elks Lodge First Responders Event

February 22, 2020 - Elks Lodge Drawdown and Mardi Gras Party

March 28, 2020 - Elks Lodge Members Appreciation

House Committee

Taxes and bills against the club are paid. Monthly inventory of the bar and kitchen is complete. Tut Fann vets dinner served 20 on August 1. Next dinner is September 5. Member Bill Roberts donated a large upright cooler to the bar. Delivered with the help of Kent Lyman and member Charles Hopper. Coke machine in Bingo Hall has been repaired. Quick action by member Ed Limback and HC Billy Herndon got a fryer fire in kitchen under control and put out. Fire caused by a gas valve leak and worn electric wire. Damage has been repaired. The Members Breakfast will return October 5. Beginning August 31, the club will be open at 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays for college football season. Thanks to those members who help the staff with lounge 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.

Your House Committee:
Pat Edwards, Chairman
David Burkett
Billy Carlton
Billy Herndon
Cathy Kulas
Dusty Graham
Nicole Anderson

HOUSE RULES:

Club Operations:
Section D
Paragraph (2)

Any member who admits a non-member to the club without proper identification and without a member escort may be subject to disciplinary action after written notice to the member and after a hearing before the House Committee.



September Birthdays:

- 2 Martin A. Cousins, Claude Snoddy
- 3 Donald E. Kenyon, Barbara Plonka, Donald T. White
- 4 Pamela J. Burt, Tatiana Kontoulakos, R. Glenn Nayman
- 5 Lisa D. Norton
- 6 Brenda C. Miller
- 7 George S. Wilson
- 8 Phillip A. Gore
- 9 Ernest Carden, Russell V. Costanza, John C. Johnson
- 11 Tim Barnes, Butch Buffalo, Bruce Tehan
- 12 Chuck Curry, James D. Freeman
- 15 Harry K. Feagley, Juergen Kampmeier, Richard Markwalter, Alan Persall, Maranda S. Theriault
- 16 George E. Caragianis
- 17 Jimmy Spruill
- 19 James Bragg Jr., Valerie L. Craig, Donald E. Horst, William B. Roberts, Michelle J. Ullman, Justin M. West
- 20 Doug Browner
- 21 Robert A. Allen, Frank Chargualaf, Richard A. Kempaner, John Kvach, C.W. Owens
- 22 Mike Hawkins
- 23 Sherry Ammons, Jamie Allison Cornett, Claude W. Dorning, Billy W. Southard
- 24 Edward G. Hopper, Sherrill McBrayer, Kelly Phillips Reed
- 25 James D. Magnusson, David McLain
- 26 Barbara J. Clark, Kenneth Ray Rainey, Terri T. Tucker
- 28 Brian White
- 29 Edwin F. Rudolph
- 30 Heidrun Admire, Michael D. Graham, Charles Swanson

SECRETARY'S CORNER

Just a few things to go over this month:

Please be courteous to your fellow Lodge members when they ring the doorbell. The six month member cards do not work; they have not worked since the renovation.

Proposing a candidate for membership:

Proposers have a duty to their candidate and the Lodge when proposing for membership. We are depending on you to make sure it is understood what becoming a member means, all the Lodge has to offer and they know our mission is not just a social one.

Please fill out the application completely and sign in ALL the right places! This helps the membership committee with their process. They are following up on references and qualifications, so anything to speed the process along is great! We also ask the Proposer meet with the candidate for their orientation and introduce them to the Lodge members at every opportunity. Explain all we do, make them feel welcome and included. We want great members who want to be here, be included, contribute to the Lodge in any capacity, know what our mission is and be given an opportunity to be involved in our community work and all other Lodge events.

Paying Dues:

No, they're not due yet, this is just a reminder. It will help me tremendously if you can follow these instructions. There is an example below of the return envelope I need everyone to use to pay dues, **even if you are paying in person**. This helps me keep up with what and who you are paying for, keeping membership information accurate for the staff and Grand Lodge.

Here is the example:

\$106 for dues.
+ 5 spouse card
+ 5 ENF =
TOTAL \$116 paid

Scholarships:

A huge thank you and shout out to Tommy Harper and the tireless Lodge volunteers who worked for another wonderful scholarship year! Over \$40,000 was given out to students attending Harvard, Savannah College of Art, Alabama, Auburn, all other Alabama colleges, Florida, and many more. The money for these scholarships is generated from our Sunday Bingo at 4:30 p.m. We desperately need more volunteers to help. We don't do concessions any more, all it takes is a couple of hours to walk around the floor and maybe sell cards. You've heard it before, but if everyone could volunteer once a month for a couple of hours, we could give those who volunteer all the time a break and generate more money for these kids to go to college!

Kathy Lockridge



SICKNESS AND DISTRESS:

Eileen Schenck, Lee Gavitt's mom, passed away Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at Huntsville Hospital. Please extend your condolences to Lee.

Betty Bell, John Bell's wife, is in ICU at Crestwood. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

SEPTEMBER 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2 LABOR DAY Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 NO BAR BINGO	3 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30	4 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	5 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Fried Steak</i> Tut Fann Vets	6 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	7 Open 2:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Lodge Picnic 3:00-till Tickets \$10.00
8 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	9 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	10 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00 Initiation of New Members	11 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	12 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Chicken Buffet</i> Civil War Roundtable 6:30	13 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	14 Open 2:00 Come join us for some FOOTBALL! Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
15 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	16 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	17 Open 3:00 Kitchen Closed House Committee Meeting 5:30	18 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	19 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Beef Tips and Noodles</i>	20 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	21 Open 2:00 Come join us for some FOOTBALL! Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00
22 Open 2:00 Kitchen CLOSED BINGO 4:30	23 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-8:00 BAR BINGO 6:00	24 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 LODGE MEETING 7:00 Balloting of Candidates for Membership Black Chair for Tucker, Cramer, Ortgeisen	25 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 Texas Holdem 6:30	26 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 <i>Shrimp Boil</i> Little Civil War Roundtable 6:30 PAINT PARTY 6:15-8:30 p.m. \$25.00	27 Open 3:00 Kitchen Open 5:00-9:00 QUEEN OF HEARTS	28 Open 2:00 Come join us for some 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).



**Elks Lodge 1648 Picnic
Saturday September 7th
From 3:00 PM Till?
Dinner at 5:00 Casino at 6:00**



**Barbecue Cook Off
Charity Casino
Fun and Games
DJ Ted Moon**

**Dragon Races
Watermelon
Seed Spitting
Contest
Corn Hole
Contest**





FLIP FLOPPIN' WITH MATT



DINNER • DANCE • SHOOTOUT

Saturday, September 14, 2019

7 PM - 12 MIDNIGHT



Donation: \$50 Per Couple

3 Prizes: \$1000, \$500, \$500

Cash Bar • Flip Flop Contest • Door Prizes



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