

ELK'S HORN

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FROM THE
 EXALTED RULER

To all ELKS of the Lodge



Barbara McDonald

On May 12th we held our annual Mother's Day ceremony. I would like to thank all those that attended.

Fathers Day is June 16th and a Breakfast Buffet will be served from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, dads will eat free. Come out and join us.

During the month of June applications for Membership will be a special rate of \$1.00. If you know of anyone that would be a good Member or would like to join bring in them for a visit.

I have applied for and received the Freedom Grant. I have also applied for the Beacon and Spotlight grants which are being reviewed by Elks Nation Foundation.

The Flag Day Ceremony will not be held this year at the Lodge due to the conflict with the start of the Spring Convention in Front Royal. The Lodge has been granted a dispensation so we will not be penalized for not holding the ceremony. We will receive credit for the ceremony as I will be participating at the Spring Convention.

The round-up for the Month of June will be Youth. It is time to get ready to send the kids to Virginia Youth Camp in July.

Barbara McDonald - Exalted Ruler



LODGE OFFICERS 2024 - 2025



Leading Knight
 Ellen Gillard



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 Dana Burton



Lecturing Knight
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Three Year Trustee
 Jeffrey Rowe



Four Year Trustee
 Bonnie Stepp



Five Year Trustee
 Charles Harper

LODGE SECRETARY NOTES

June starts the third month of the Lodge year and the long-awaited summer season. Membership continues to be a work in progress, and I will be sending letters to the below listed Members in an attempt to reconcile the Lodge delinquency rate. If you feel there has been an error in reporting, please contact me or one of the Lodge Officers and we will investigate your status.

The list of Members delinquent in dues (Member years after name): Darell Alston (1), Leo Carrillo (2), Jimmy Castro (3), Craig Craft (10), Kyle Daddysman (13), Randy Edgerton (15), Kelly Guthrie (3), Cephas Hedgepeth (5), Joetta Jensen (6), James McGrath (14), Richard McIntosh (2), Linda Nichols (12), Christine Ratliff (6), Heather Swanson (4), David Turlington (2), Harry Westbrook (11)

I request that all Committee Chairs please forward your respective Committee Meeting Minutes to the BPOE email listed below for record keeping purposes.

If your address or contact information has changed in the past year, please let me know so you will continue to receive Lodge notifications and newsletters.

If you host an event, please complete the volunteer form located by the Secretary's box (side door). We must account for and submit our volunteer and charitable activities to the Grand Lodge, preferably within seven (7) days of the event.

Please note during the regular meeting scheduled for June 19th @ 7:00 PM, there will be a vote on the proposal put forward by the Trustees to incorporate the Lodge and its assets. Please plan to attend this meeting if you have questions regarding the process and or would like to vote on the proposal.

I am in the Lodge multiple times throughout the week, usually in the mid-afternoon. I can be reached using the following:

(757) 833-6416 (Secretary Office phone).

(757) 877-0171 (Lodge phone).

bpoe315@yahoo.com (Lodge email).

elks315secretary@gmail.com (Secretary email).

Secretary Box

(located by the side entrance door).

Tom Porter - Secretary

FROM the GRAND EXALTED RULER

June 14 is Flag Day—a mandatory service for the Elks. In 1907, the Elks became the first fraternal body to adopt by Resolution that June 14 be designated as Flag Day in our Order. President Woodrow Wilson established a national Flag Day in 1916 by presidential proclamation. In 1949, President Harry Truman, himself an Elk, signed an act of Congress designating June 14 each year as Flag Day.

The American flag symbolizes the “land of the free and home of the brave” for all Americans. As we pay tribute by proudly displaying our American flag, let us rededicate ourselves to the ideals of patriotism and freedom.

On Sunday, June 16, we observe Father's Day. We recognize fathers and grandfathers for their contributions to fatherhood. The first Father's Day was celebrated June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972 that President Richard Nixon made the third Sunday in June a nationwide holiday to honor fathers in the United States. We as Elks do not have a special ceremony to celebrate our dads; however, I would suggest you hold some type of event at the Lodge to make them aware their wisdom and love was and is much appreciated. Happy Father's Day.

With a short time to go, Wanda and I are beginning to end the adventure of a lifetime. It has been a great honor for us to serve as your First Lady and Grand Exalted Ruler. We have met so many great Elks and their families. We renewed old connections and made new ones. It has been great to see the many charitable works accomplished across the country. We are extremely proud.

Thank you. As we traveled from state to state you have made us very proud by letting the communities know who we are: “We Are THE Elks.”

We look forward to seeing you in Austin, TX. Finally, remember the deadline for GER Award forms, for bringing in three new or reinstated Members, is June 12.

God bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.

Randy P. Shook - Grand Exalter Ruler

EDITORS NOTE: The source of the above article is ELKS.org, the format, BUT NOT the CONTENT, was edited for this Newsletter.

TREASURES REPORT



Below is the status of Lodge Finances reported at the Regular Scheduled Meeting held on May 15, 2024.

CASH on HAND in the Lodge Working Checking Account at Old Point National Bank is \$48,878.15

SAVINGS ACCOUNT - *interest bearing* at Langley Federal Credit Union is \$37,773.62.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS (*Certificates of Deposits & interest bearing accounts*) held at Old Point National Bank & Langley Federal Credit Union is \$242,961.55.

GAMING ACCOUNTS for gaming machines earnings is \$14,586.31.

TOTAL OF BALANCES ON HAND reported at the Lodge Meeting was \$344,199.63.

The Lodge building is paid for & valued and insured for at \$625,000.00. Personal property (contents of the building) contained within is valued and insured at \$228,000.00. The Lodge has NO debts other than the reoccurring monthly, quarterly and annual operational expenses.

New Virginia State Requirements for activities involving Gaming Accounts have been implemented and are being reported.

A list of the regular Lodge Operational Bills are posted on the Official Lodge Bulletin (Notice) Board. The monthly or currently due charges from that list are paid when due under the By-Laws and are presented to Members at each Regular Scheduled Lodge Meeting to review and approve the payments.

Terry Dougherty - Treasurer

FROM the BOARD of TRUSTEES



Welcome to the New Lodge Year !

The Trustees met on Tuesday, May 7th at 12:00 (noon) PM.

The Trustees will begin working on the upstairs areas in the future. Plans are to fix the seam tape, paint and replace the lights.

We will also be replacing the lights in the kitchen, and a number of other items.

We are looking for those who might be interested

in helping with painting and some other work we will be doing. There is a signup sheet if you are willing to help.

There is an *Issues Book* behind the bar where you can record any specific item needing attention. The Trustees review this book during our Meetings.

The Lodge Web Page, while moving slow is getting closer to being ready to publish.

The Trustees normally meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 12:00 (noon) PM.

June 4th is the next Meeting Date. All Members are invited to attend the Meeting if they desire to do so. We understand that the meeting time may make it difficult for you to attend the meeting, so If you have an issue you would like to bring up at a meeting, let me know in advance so I can get it added to the agenda with as many details as possible. If you are able to attend, you are welcome to do so.

Jack Waddy - Chairman

FROM the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE



We currently have 140 Members on the roll. The chart below is a status of the current Membership.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS (As of May 28, 2024)	
Beginning Membership for Year 2024 - 2025	135
Members Deceased or Demitted this Lodge Year	0
Applications in Progress (Not in Total Below)	0
Members Reinstated or Initiated this Year	5
Total of Current Members	140

Remember that Membership is the

"LIFEBLOOD" OF THE LODGE.

There is an updated Recruiting Tri-Fold Pamphlet available at the Lodge located next the sign in station by the side entrance to help you answer questions about our Lodge and the Order of Elks. Please use it when recruiting a new Member.

SO, RECRUIT A NEW TRUE ELK MEMBER TODAY!
The Lodge will Thank You!

Dawn Bardy - Chairwoman

ELKS CARE - ELKS SHARE



Please keep the following Members and their families in your prayers.

* Member Diane Nichols had a stroke & broke her ankle and she is in Riverside Hospital.

* Member Dennis Cantrell's Brother William Henry Cantrell passed away on May 16, 2024.

Please let an Officer or the Editor know of any sickness or distress or call the Lodge and leave a message. Also, you can call Leading Knight Ellen Gillard the Lodge Sickness & Distress Advocate to report sickness or for assistance to distressed Members. Ellen's phone # is (757) 593- 4559. If she doesn't answer leave a message & she will return your call.

FROM the LODGE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION (ENF) COMMITTEE

This month the ENF currently sits at \$2.55 per Member. The GER's 2024-25 Per-Member-Giving Goal will be announced in July.

As we see throughout the year, the ENF helps out so many different projects around the World. Remember just because we aren't in the Lodge there is still many ways for you to donate. Check out the - website -

<http://www.elks.org/ENF>
Login or create a Login and start donating today.

Remember the Mission of ENF is to help Elks build stronger communities.

We fulfill this pledge by investing in Communities where Elks live and work. We help youth develop lifelong skills, help send students to college, help meet the needs of today's Veterans and support the charitable work of the Virginia Elks Association, and fund projects that improve the quality of life in our local Elks Community.

Michelle Rowe - Chairwoman

FROM the VETERANS COMMITTEE



Thank you for the great turnout at our May breakfast. We sold 18 meals. Our next breakfast is on June 23, 2024. Hope you can attend. Our monthly Veterans Meeting will be held on June 6, 2024 at 5:30. Please join us if you are interested in supporting our Veteran community.

Carolyn Gillroy - Chairwoman

OUR LODGE SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

"ADOPT-A-SPOT PROGRAM"

I'm happy to report on behalf of the "Adopt-A-Spot" Program, we are off to a great start this Lodge Year. However, the programmed event to be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024 was cancelled due to weather problems and has been rescheduled.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !

Come out and join Dana Burton at the second 2024 Adopt-A-Spot event starting at 8:00 AM at the Newport News Elks Lodge #315 on

Saturday, June 1, 2024.

(We will be canvassing for litter along Warwick Boulevard between Tabbs Lane and Denbigh Boulevard. Refreshments will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Dana at (757) 876-1874 or hookdb@gmail.com.



**FROM the HOME CLUB HOUSE
COMMITTEE**



HAPPY JUNE!!

June is the
Membership Drive
Month!!!
The application fee is
being dropped to
\$1.00 for the Month.

June 13th - **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** with a "Shrimp Boil" and other great stuff !! Great time to bring in that friend you been wanting to show the Lodge off to. This event is sign up only and no take outs !!! No exceptions!!! This is a free event; however, donations will be excepted. I would love to thank Charles Harper, Dennis Cantrell and Greg Thatcher. This was their idea. This is a perfect example of Members stepping to the plate. Well done Gentlemen Members!!

Please remember to be kind to your Sisters and Brothers in the Lodge. We are all grown.

If you have any new ideas for a function please contact me or Lecturing Knight Michelle Rowe.

Next Home Club Meeting will be on June 4th at 6:00 PM. Come on down and share your ideas and thoughts.

Dawn Bardy - Chairwoman

TRIVIA QUESTIONS ??

1. What historical event happened on Tuesday, 6 June 1944?
2. Which animated cartoon character has three triplet nieces named April, May, and June?
3. The longest day of the year can occur on one of three dates in June, name any of the three?
4. What year was the Microwave Oven invented?
5. What year were ZIP Codes first introduced in the United States?
6. What was the very first credit card that was issued in 1954?
7. In 1956 a revolutionary glue was invented and sold as Eastman #910. What was it later called?

(Answers on Page 10)

VIRGINIA ELKS YOUTH CAMP



This year Youth Camp will be July 7th - 13th for girls & July 21st - 27th for boys. We will begin collecting items to send them to camp. If you know someone interested in going to camp, please see one of our Committee Members. Go to the website to get forms at

virginiaelks.org

or you can get one from bartender. Our quota this year is eight and if you're interested in sponsoring a kid its \$150.00 per kid. The youth camp always has a wish list provided. A list of these items if your interested in donating is available. Youth Activities Committee will be hosting a Dinner on June 8th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Come out and support the Committee.

QUESTION?

In a military contract, what item is referred to as a "portable, hand-held communications inscriber"?

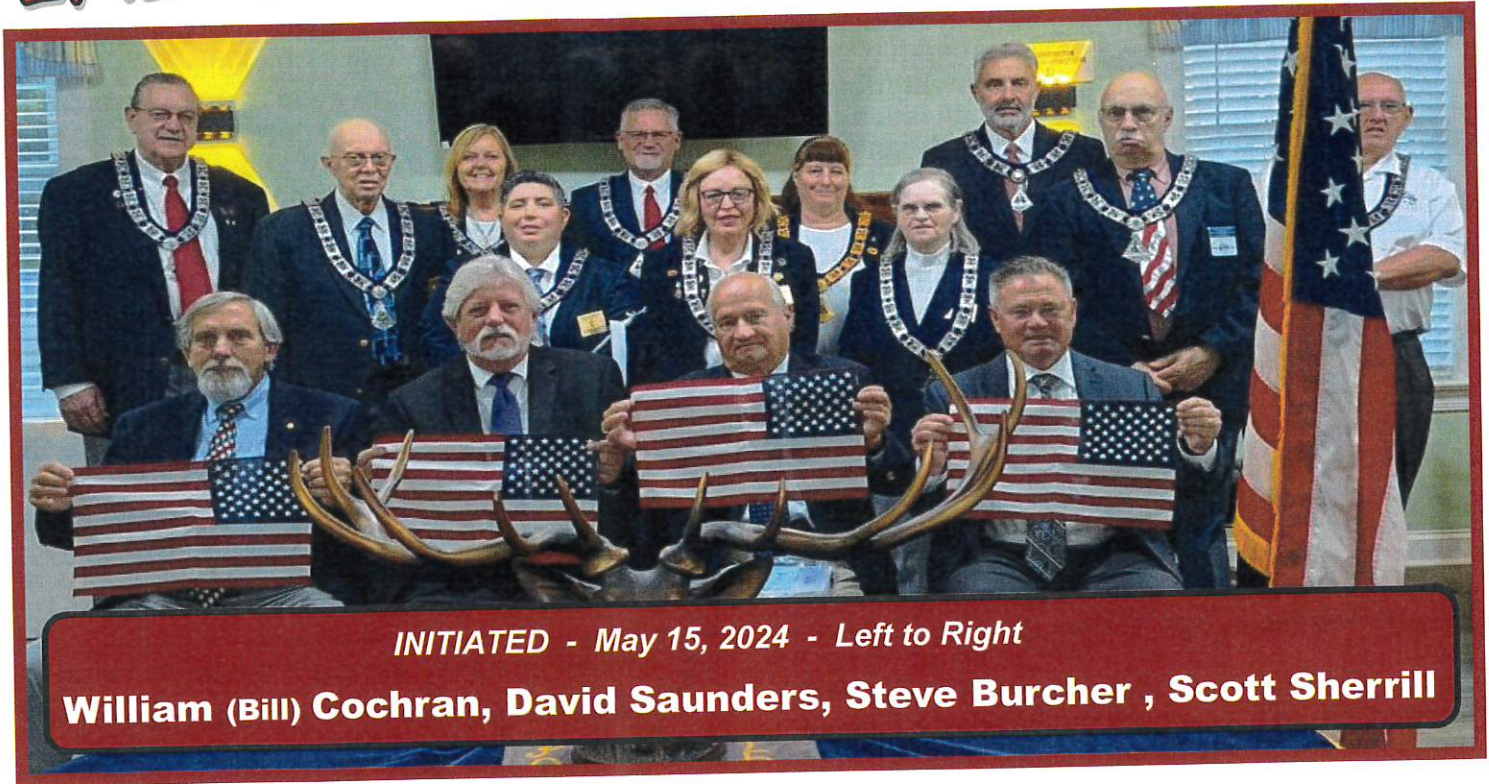
Answer: A Pencil.

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS in JUNE

- Darell L. Alston 2nd
- William Rose 2nd
- John M. De Maria, Jr 4th
- Steven E. Goolsby 17th
- Richard Lawhon 17th
- Donald A. Karetka 19th
- Gerald Dwayne Dix 21st
- Kelvin M. Braxton 22nd
- Dennis F. Swartz 23rd



INITIATION of NEW MEMBERS



INITIATED - May 15, 2024 - Left to Right

William (Bill) Cochran, David Saunders, Steve Burcher , Scott Sherrill

Welcome New Elks Members

For more than 100 years, the *Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks* has dedicated their efforts to helping Children, Veterans, and other Members of the Community. Elks Lodges are places where neighbors come together, families share meals and children grow up.



MEMBERS OF OUR LODGE HAVE ACCESS TO MANY GREAT THINGS.

Lodge Meetings. Social network with other Members and their Families. Support and help to the neighborhoods where we live. Keeping our Veterans and Active Duty Service Members ahead. Other programs for the good of all.

OUR LODGE OFFICERS & LODGE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE HERE TO SUPPORT ALL ELKS.

MOTHERS DAY CEREMONY

May 12th - 2:00 PM



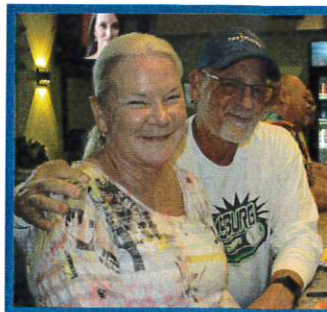
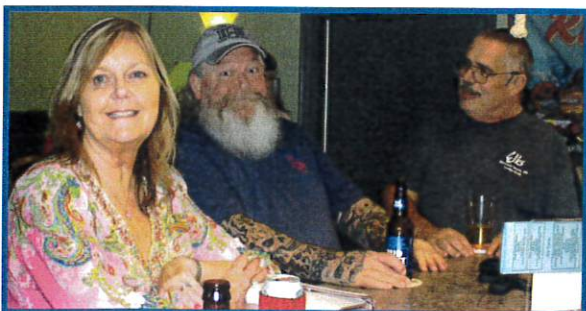
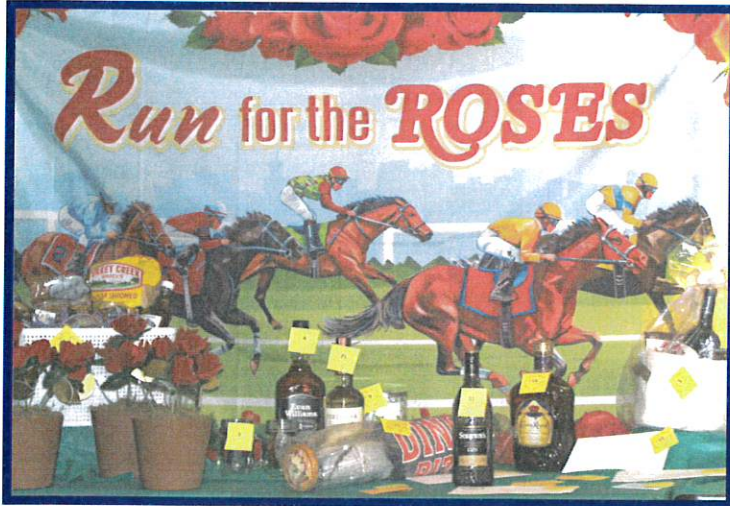
Charles Harper filled in as Lecturing Knight, Katherine Farnum filled in as Loyal Knight, Michael Korb (PER) was the Principal Presenter (Orator). Red Roses were presented to all in attendance whose Mothers survive and White Roses to those whose Mothers had passed.

Elks Care
Elks Share

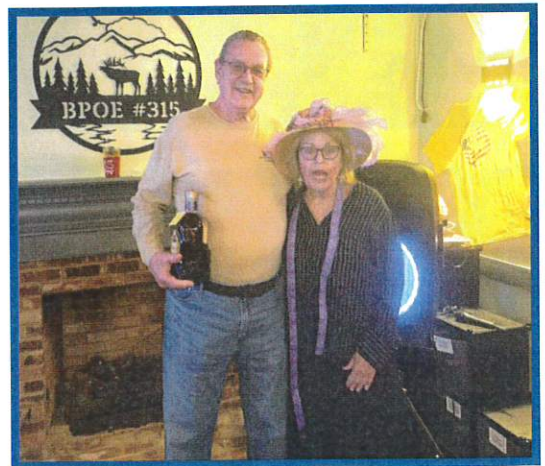


Kentucky Derby Party

Held on Saturday, May 4th - 5:30 to ???? PM



Kentucky Derby Party Continued



REPICE of the MONTH

CRAB NEWBURG

- 1 pound fresh lump crabmeat
- 2 tablespoons onions (chopped)
- ¼ pound butter
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 3 tablespoons of flour
- 3 egg yolks lightly beaten
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons sherry
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 6 slices toast, buttered



Melt butter in saucepan. Stir in flour, seasoning and chopped onion. Gradually stir in cream. Cook stirring constantly until thickened and smooth. Add crabmeat and heat to serving temperature. Remove from heat. Stir in egg yolks. Serve on toast.

Serves 6. A great party dish ... also excellent in a chafing dish and served in small party shells or as an appetizer.

Delma Kellum



VETERANS COMMITTEE FUND RAISING

Breakfast

Sunday Morning, June 23rd

9:00 to 11:00 AM

SPECIAL BREAKFAST MENU

COME OUT, HAVE A GREAT BREAKFAST

&

SUPPORT OUR VETERANS PROGRAMS

Newport News Elks Lodge



Invites You to join Us For our
Membership Drive Event
Thursday, June 13th

(5:00-8:00, eat in only, no take-out orders)

Free Low Country Shrimp Boil

COME SEE WHAT THE ELKS ARE ALL ABOUT

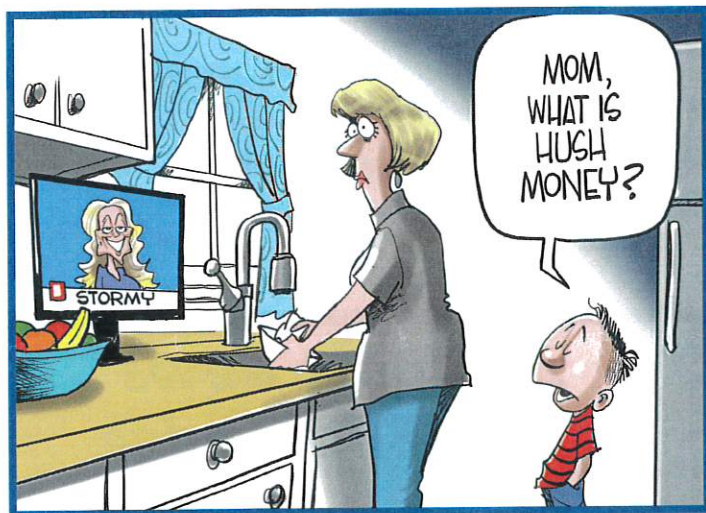
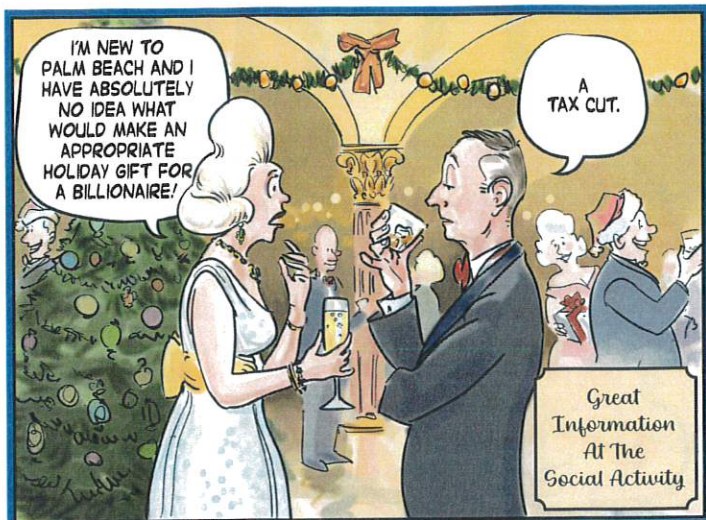
\$1 Drafts **\$1 Setups** **\$3 Drink Specials**

Karaoke

RSVP Required: to mrowe0412@gmail.com
please include the names of all guests
attending in your party.
(subject: "Membership Drive")

**ELKS SUPPORT
OUR
COMMUNITY**

Some June Humor !!



BUMPER STICKER of the MONTH



ANSWERS to TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. Normandy Beach landings
2. Daisy Duck
3. 20th, or 21st, or 22nd
4. 1967
5. 1963
6. Diners Club
7. Superglue



FIND YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND WIN A FREE BEVERAGE.

The May Winner was Gerald Chasse.

ELKS LODGE MENU

◆ APPETIZERS & SNACKS:

French Fries ... \$ 2.40 Onion Rings ... \$ 5.99
Mozzarella Cheese Sticks ... \$ 4.80 Chicken Wings ... \$ 1.56 each

FEATURED ITEMS:

<p>Wing Dings (10 Wings) \$15.60 Naked or Breaded Choice of Mild, Hot or Salt & Pepper with Ranch or Blue Cheese Dressing Extra Wings \$1.56 each</p> <p>Hamburger \$5.40 Add Cheese \$.50 Add Fries \$2.00 Choice of Toppings: Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Pickles Ketchup, Mustard & Mayo</p> <p>BLT Sandwich \$4.37 Add Chips or Fries \$1.20 Choice of Toppings: Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo & Relish</p>	<p>Hot Dog \$2.34 Add Fries \$2.00 Choice of Toppings: Ketchup, Mustard, Mayo & Relish</p> <p>Nachos with Cheese \$3.54 Add: Jalapenos \$.60 Extra Cheese \$.60 Loaded: With Cheese, Meat, Lettuce, Onion, Tomato, Olives, Sour Cream & Salsa + \$7.20</p> <p>Chicken Tenders \$9.59 Includes: 3 Chicken Strips & Fries 3 Tacos - \$5.95</p>
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Prices do not include sales taxes.

◆ Generally Available During Normal Home Club Hours

Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish or eggs may increase your risk of food borne illness, especially if you have certain medical conditions.

FROM the NEWSLETTER EDITOR



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The "ELK'S HORN" is the Official Newsletter Publication of BPOE Newport News Lodge # 315. The purpose of the Newsletter is to inform Lodge Members of ongoing and planned Lodge Activities and to publish the Exalted Ruler and Lodge Officers Articles, Committee Reports, a Calendar of Events, Sickness and Distress, and other items of interest noted and Inputs to the operation of the LODGE. It is published monthly and mailed or made available to all current Lodge Members without charge.

Members in the future are invited to submit pictures of Lodge events, articles, items of interest, charitable activities, notes of thanks, Lodge trivia, etc. to email - mrowe0412@gmail.com, Secretary's phone (757) 532-2009 - or at the Lodge email bpoe315@yahoo.com or leave it at the Lodge. Deadline for submissions is the 22nd of the month before the month of the issue.

The Exalted Ruler and Editor are jointly responsible for the content of this Newsletter.

Michelle Rowe - Lecturing Knight & Editor

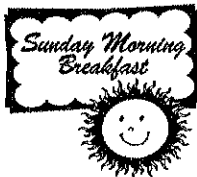
The Editor wishes to thank Life Member Ralph Andrews, Jr. for helping to develop, edit, fold, place mailing seals, address labels and stamps for this Month's Newsletter.

Lodge # 315 JUNE 2024 Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Lodge Dinner 6:00 to 8:00
2 Breakfast 9:00 - 11:00 AM	3	4 Trustee Meeting 12:00 (Noon) House Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	5 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	6 Veterans Committee Meeting 5:30 PM	7	8 Lodge Dinner 6:00 to 8:00 PM
9 Breakfast 9:00 - 11:00 AM	10 Youth Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	11	12	13 Membership Drive Event Shrimp Boil Karaoke (Ad on Page 9) 5:00 to 8:00	14	15
16 Breakfast 9:00 - 11:00 AM	17	18	19 Lodge Meeting 7:00 PM	20	21	22
23 Veterans Committee Fund Raising Breakfast 9:00 - 11:00 AM	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Breakfast 9:00 - 11:00 AM	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-right: 10px;"> Home Club Hours (Subject to Change) </div> <div style="text-align: left;"> Monday to Wednesday - 2:00 to 10:00 PM Thursday - 2:00 to 12:00 AM Friday & Saturday - 1:00 PM to 1:00 AM Sunday - 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM </div> </div>					

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNERS

JUNE 1 st	JUNE 8 th	JUNE 15 th	JUNE 22 nd	JUNE 29 th
Chicken Enchiladas Yellow Rice Refried Beans Chips n Salsa Dessert	Soft Shell Crab Cold Slaw Frys Dessert \$14.00	NO DINNER (Snack Menu Available)	NO DINNER (Snack Menu Available)	NO DINNER (Snack Menu Available)




Meals from the Menu or "A LA CARTE"
 Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Biscuits, Toast,
 Grits, Pancakes, French Toast, Country Gravy,
 Grits, & Eggs to Order. Sausage Biscuit
 (with Egg and, or Cheese) & Omelets
 Milk, Juice, Coffee or Tea.

HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE
 Dawn Bardy - Chairwoman
 Jeff Rowe - Tom Porter - Rob Blarr

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VICKI ANDREWS, GRI
ASSOCIATE BROKER
RELOCATION DIRECTOR

Vicki Andrews has been an Elk Member of our Lodge for 29 years. She has served in the past as the Leading Knight, and on several Lodge Committees.

**Attend Your Lodge Meetings - Recruit A New Member - Volunteer Your Time
Contribute to the ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION**



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