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FROM THE
EXALTED RULER



Timmy Means



To all ELKS of the Lodge

I hope all Members are enjoying the Summer. Also summer is generally a slow time for Lodge Activities. We had two in July and one planned in August. However, September will be very busy. Please enjoy the rest of your summer and get ready for September.

My Report from the Grand Lodge Session (Convention) that I attended between July 3rd and the 5th in Houston, Texas representing our Lodge is submitted. There were 12 Resolutions to amend the Statues of the Order presented for voting. There are summarized as follows and how I voted is in Parenthesis after each is described: # 1 - to add Marketing to the Title of the Grand Lodge Public Relations Committee (Voted Yes), # 2 - To eliminate any responsibility for the Elks National Home given its recent sale (Voted Yes), # 3 & # 4 -To allow Lodges to set Initiation & Reinstatement fees to any amount it wants or to eliminate it altogether (Voted Yes), # 5 & # 6 - Concerning the status of Lodge Trusts (Voted Yes), # 7 - Concerned the required quorum of members present to conduct business in Lodges with less than 99 Members (Voted Yes), # 8 - To allow an incorporated Lodge the choice of having a Board of Directors or a Board of Trustees (Voted Yes), # 9 - To clarify that the number of elected Trustees shall be not less than three and not more than five (Voted Yes), # 10 - To clarify that a widow or widower of a deceased Member who subsequently remarries to is not eligible for an Identification Card (Voted Yes). # 11 - To increase the filing fee in Local Forum proceedings to more accurately reflect the cost to the Lodge (Voted Yes), & # 12 - To confirm the obligation of a Lodge to disclose the existence of all related legal entitles (Voted Yes). A posting of these is on the Lodge Bulletin Board. No Issues listed have any impact on our Lodge now; however, issues numbers 3,4 &10 could affect us at a later date. Also during the Session many subjects of interest to Elks and Elk Lodges were presented, such as Membership, Elks National Foundation, Grand Lodge Programs, Veterans Service Commission, etc. On Sunday, July 4th the Grand Lodge Officers and the Deputy District Grand Exalted Rulers (DDGER) were installed. The Grand Exalted Ruler is Michael F. Zellen from Sangus-Everett, MA Lodge # 642 and our DDGER for the Southeastern District of Virginia is Stephen D. Moulton from Chesapeake Lodge # 82. I will be glad to answer any questions from Members concerning the Convention.

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William Howell

This month I will evaluate the performance of the Lodge Committees and discuss with them my assessment of their activities. The purpose of this is to help them and to ensure that overall the Lodge continues functioning at the highest level. I will also evaluate the Board of Trustees actions and provide guidance as I feel necessary. I consider this review as a positive step and tool to help us maintain our Lodge at the excellent level we are enjoying. Please do not take this process as a negative as I am very proud of all this year activities that we have accomplished.

I feel obligated to remind Lodge Officers and Members that Lodge Business is conducted at Lodge Meetings or in other forums established in the BY-LAWS such as Committee Meetings and that once a Lodge Officer has indulged in an alcoholic beverage in the Home Club your authority to act as a Lodge Officer ended with your first drink! Remember as a Lodge Officer and or any other Member - *you are responsible for your non member spouse and your guests conduct!*

I have a **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Michelle Rowe as the Youth Committee Chairwoman & Jeff for recruiting, processing, transporting our campers this year (see pictures on page 5). Job well Done!

The first of this Lodge Year Southeastern District Deputy Grand Exalter Ruler Clinics will be held on September 7, 2016 at the Suffolk Lodge # 82. Required Attendance is the Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Secretary & Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Any Lodge Member is also welcomed to attend.

We will be participating in the Denbigh Day Activities. This is where we as a Lodge display the Elks Drug Awareness Program to the community with literature, coloring books and other handouts and a appearance of "ELROY" the Elks Drug Awareness Mascot. Let me know if you would like volunteer to help.

I WILL SEE YOU AT THE LODGE MEETING ON AUGUST 17th.

Timmy Means (PER) - Exalted Ruler

FROM the BOARD of TRUSTEES



The Board of Trustees held its monthly meeting on July 5th, 2016. We discussed many Lodge issues.

We approved to spend up to \$500 dollars to replace the TV that is located above the juke box. I have been approached by a several people to see if we can get a bigger TV. This recommendation will be brought up at the

next lodge meeting. We also reviewed the previous month's payment vouchers for bills against the Lodge and found no discrepancies.

A few people asked me about the windows that were replaced. I want to let everyone know it was under warrantee, so no money was spent. And we still are planning on replacing the ice machine.

Paul Ferreira - Chairman

FROM the GRAND EXALTED RULER



Elks lead the way ... and take action

I offer my heartfelt thanks and gratitude for the faith and the confidence that so many have placed in me to serve as your Grand Exalted Ruler. Donna and I wish to thank and acknowledge the many Elks for their encouragement and support leading up to this tremendous honor.

We pledge that we will fulfill your expectations to the best of our ability. We look forward to meeting you during our travels and to witness first-hand the many ways that Elks are serving their respective communities throughout our great nation.

"Elks - Leading the Way" is my theme for the year. Since our humble beginnings as an Order, Elks have demonstrated over and over that our Members truly care about their fellow man. No other organization has given more in the name of benevolence and charity than our beloved Order.

Our concern and support for those who have served in the military and defended our freedoms has never wavered. We are second to none in providing our support to deserving students with scholarship assistance, promoting our local and national youth programs, and continuing our support of local community service programs.

In 2016-2017, the Elks National Foundation will distribute \$27.3 million to help Elks build stronger communities by investing \$9.8 million in Community Investment Program grants for Elks Lodges to invest directly in their local communities. The ENF will allocate \$9.1 million to help State Associations accomplish their charitable objectives.

The ENF will continue to further the education of our country's future leaders by allocating \$4.2 million in scholarship assistance. The ENF designated \$729,330 to fund Drug Awareness and \$952,760 to run the Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Program, encouraging youth to lead healthy and active lives. In addition, the Elks National Foundation designated \$1.464 million to fund the Order's Veterans Service Program.

In order to continue funding these great programs, the Elks National Foundation needs our support. We must all support the ENF by donating and volunteering with ENF programs. The goal we have established for 2016-17 is \$4.65 per Member. This is not much when you consider the outstanding achievements of the ENF. I am hopeful that every Lodge will strive to meet or surpass this amount.

Again, thank you for this opportunity to serve as your national leader.

MICHAEL F. ZELLEN - GRAND EXALTED RULER

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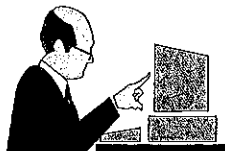
SICKNESS & DISTRESS



NONE REPORTED BY THE DATE OF THIS PUBLICATION

Please let an Officer or the Editor know of any sickness or distress or call the Lodge and leave a message. You may also call Freddy Roehr at (757) 877-9670 to report an item for this section.

SECRETARY NOTES



I HOPE ALL ARE HAVING A GREAT SUMMER.

I will elaborate on policy concerning the various Bulletin Boards in the Lodge. These Boards are there to provide information useful to members, advertise Lodge events and also to post policies, rules and procedures. Recently several members/guests removed items that had been ordered posted by the Exalted Ruler. Items posted by the ER *shall not* be removed by anyone except him. Generally, Bulletin Board postings are Lodge PROPERTY! Also, the Veterans Committee has merchandize on their Board, if you wish to purchase an item from there, pay the bartender and they will get it for you. If you have questions concerning use of Lodge Bulletin Boards contact the ER or me.

The change out of locks on lockers is almost complete. Three members who had lockers but had not paid the fee for this year lockers were emptied. Three members have not changed out their locks. There are five lockers available for rent. If I am not available, leave me a note in the Secretary's Box by the front door (with the \$15.00 fee) and I will assign you a locker and leave a lock with keys and a copy of the contract for you to sign at the Bar. Lockers are only for Members and Widows with ID cards and only one locker is allowed per family. You may store anything reasonable (nothing toxic or chemicals) that will fit in a locker; however, any container containing alcohol **MUST** have your name on it. The Lodge is not responsible for the contents of the locker you have rented.

I also serve as the Editor of "THE ELK'S HORN", the Lodge Newsletter. This is a voluntary effort. It consumes over 20+ hours a month of my personal time. The Newsletter needs to be published early enough so Members can see the Lodge Calendar and Event Ads in time to make plans and certainty before the first of the month! Last month I was up till after midnight on June 28th putting the July Newsletter together because a key committee did not submit their input by the cut-off date. Bottom Line to Committee Chairmen and other contributors, meet the cutoff date or it will NOT, repeat, will NOT be published. Call me if you have questions!

A Social Roster of Lodge Members will be available after August 5th for Lodge Members only. Contact me and I will provide a copy to you. This roster *Shall* not be used for ANY type of commercial purposes.

I am normally in the Lodge on weekdays in the early afternoon. My cell # is (757) 879-3505 and home # (757) 930-0877 and EMAIL at zalphandrews@cox.net or also at the Lodge EMAIL at bpoe315@yahoo.com.

Zalph Andrews, Jr. - Lodge Secretary

NOTICE

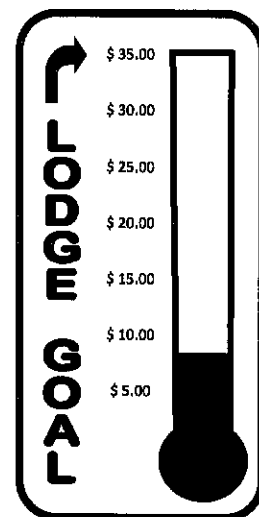
In August there will be one Lodge Meeting on the 17th. Starting in September we will return to two Lodge Meetings a month on the first & third Wednesday each month.

FROM the ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION (ENF) COMMITTEE

After the first quarter we are on track in meeting our goals. Currently the Lodge per-capita donations are at \$7.59. We are ranked 3rd in the state. A very special thank you to all that have donated thus far.

Keep thinking you want to donate but you keep forgetting? What if you could donate without having to think about it? The ENF can automatically debit your account on a recurring basis for a set donation amount. It's safe, reliable, and allows the ENF to spend less time on administration and more time on our charitable mission. Joining the Fidelity Club is simple! Enroll online at enf.elks.org/recurring or download a Fidelity Club enrollment form (also Forms are available at the Lodge), fill it out and return it to the ENF office at 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL, 60614-2256. We currently have 6 members doing this now. The minimum is as small as \$5 a month or \$15 a quarter. Join the ENF Fidelity Club today.

Michelle Rowe - Chairwoman



FROM the HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE



The Committee would like to thank all who participated in the August Lodge Actinides.

We are in the process of employing several new bartenders. The Committee requests your indulgence while they are being trained and adapt to the Lodge environment. Remember that the Lodge has a zero policy for discrimination of any type. Negative criticism of a new employee while they are learning does not help. If you have a problem or a recommendation bring it to the Bar Manager, House Committee or the Exalted Ruler. House Committee Meetings are open to all Members and that is the proper place to complain.

Another issue is the use of the three TV's in the bar area. Be courteous, if other Members are watching a program you have no right to demand a change of channel on that TV. There are two other TV's that the bartender will turn on so that you can watch the program of your choice!

The annual Membership Appreciation day is on August 27th. The Committee is planning for a great day and hope all will come out to enjoy your rewards as a Member (see the Ad on page 8 for more details).

Remember there is a Suggestion Box by the front door. Submit a suggestion or a complaint. Then give the House Committee a chance to respond!

Rich Means - Chairman

VETERANS COMMITTEE REPORT



The Veterans committee met on July 7th to conduct our monthly meeting at Quaker Steak & Lube. We plan to have our meetings at a different restaurant four times thru

out the year. I believe in doing this it will build a stronger committee by bonding more on the outside of the Lodge.

Summer Raffle of five drawings was drawn on July 3rd as the Home Club decided to do the 4th of July Celebration on that day. We would like to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets. We raised approximately \$311 for our Veterans Lodge charities. Congrats to all the winners!!!

You as a Member know we are approaching the most needed donations months as we approach the fall & winter season. So we decided to move up our donation drive of items needed for the Stand Down for Homeless Veterans thru out Hampton Roads during this month of August. Many items are needed for the Food Kits and Winter Kits, too much to put in this Newsletter, please see flyers in the Lodge. Though we would like to accept all items but please abide by the list we are allowed to distribute to our Homeless Veterans.

We have purchased the Open Sign for the USO at Fort Eustis and are in the process of delivery. We are just waiting on the director of USO for delivery date & time. This is just one of many items they are in need of. Also we resupplied the Pantry at the USO at the Newport News - Williamsburg Airport.

Vicki Andrews and I have filled out the paperwork required to apply for a \$2,000.00 grant from the Grand Lodge. Vicki has filed it and sent it off. Hopefully we will receive the grant to help fund our upcoming event for our Veterans Appreciation Bowl at York Lanes in November. We will need more than the committee to accomplish this event so please let us know if you can assist us in any way.

We will be joining forces with the Youth Activities Committee in September to do a Back Pack School Supply donation drive for children of military families in September. Please look for flyers posted in Lodge of items needed to fulfill this well needed charity.

UPCOMING DATES:

- August 4th... Veterans Meeting 6:30
- August 1st to 31st ... Collection of donations for Stand Down food kits/winter kits
- September... Collection of donations for Back Pack School Supplies
- September 21st ... All You Can Eat Breakfast fundraiser for Veterans Programs

Bonnie Stepp - Veterans Committee Chairwoman

So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them.

FROM the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

As of the Date of this Newsletter there are still 11 delinquent Members in their current year dues. The ER and I am very disappointed that two of those were exceptional Elks with many years of service, one is a Past Exalted Ruler & Past Deputy District Grand Exalted Ruler and the other a Past Exalted Ruler. Neither asked for a Demit. All delinquent Members have been contacted and unfortunately it appears that seven of them do not wish to remain as an ELK and four more have not responded.

Now for the Good News. We have initiated seven new Members this year have two transfers for affiliation as Members in our Lodge for a net gain of nine.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STATUS (As of July 22, 2016)

Starting Membership Lodge Year 2916-2017	151
Initiated this Year	7
Affiliation (Transfers)	2
Total Members still on the Books	160
<u>Total</u> Minus the 11 Members Delinquent in Dues	149

Please when you help a new Candidate with a application be sure the form is completed correctly. Also give them a copy of the Recruiting Brochure available above the sign in station by the front door. If you need help in recruiting please contact a Committee Member, the ER or the Secretary.

Dawn Barty - Chairwoman

Elks NEWPORT NEWS LODGE # 315 ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Friday, September 9th, 2016

At

The Hamptons Golf Course



Plan on Playing, Form a Team, Help Solicit Hole Sponsors.
 Contact Bill Howell (757) 810-3167 or the Lodge.
 See Flyers & Forms in the Lodge - Please sign up your Team
 Recruit a Hole Sponsor - Volunteer to Help.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. How many miles of arteries, capillaries and veins are there in the adult human body?
2. Who was the first to suggest using contact lenses to improve vision?
3. How many ribs does man have?
4. How many of the average adult's 32 permanent teeth are molars?
5. How much does the heart of the average man weigh?
6. How many muscles are there in the human ear?

(Answers on page 8)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

In The
BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE
ORDER of ELKS

Newport News Lodge # 315



Left to Right — Gerald Sputt, Kimberly Hall & Angel Torres
INITIATED — July 20, 2016

A VERY SPECIAL RECOGNITION



LODGE # 315 ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE (ENF) CHAIRWOMAN MICHELLE ROWE PRESENTING A PLAQUE RECOGNIZING KARL KNOBEL (PER, PDDGR) FOR HAVING BECOME "A GOLD CIRCLE OF GIVING" OF THE ENF FOR HAVING ACCRUED OVER \$20,000.00 IN LIFETIME DONATIONS. WE ALL THANK KARL FOR HIS SUPPORT.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August Birthdays

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| William Rucker 4 th | William Miller 19 th |
| John Haney 6 th | William Howell 21 st |
| Granville Hall 10 th | Stanley Akins 26 th |
| Edward Lombado 18 th | Monroe Clayton 26 th |
| Richard Hughes 26 th | |

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY



Presenting a Check for \$3,500 to the Riverside Cancer Foundation. These funds were raised at the Lodge's Third Annual Breast Cancer Fund Raising Dinner held on May 7, 2016. Pictured left to right are Riverside Oncology Navigators, Harolette Kelly and Elizabeth Carter, Elks Lodge # 315 Members Michelle Waddell and Jennifer Curran & Riverside Foundation Executive Director Debbie Atkinson.

THE VEA YOUTH CAMP

JULY 2016

This year we sponsored seven girls to attend the Virginia Elks Association Youth Camp. Pictured to the right is Brooke Jarvis who won the "Athlete of the Week" award. Pictured below are more of the young ladies going, coming and having fun during this summer experience! The Youth Activities Committee also would like to say *THANK YOU* to Don Parkerson & Karl Knobel for their donation that funded two of our seven participants.



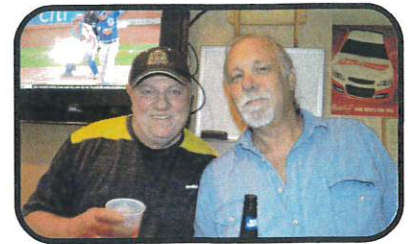
All the girls from Charlottesville, Virginia Beach & Newport News Lodges on their way!



Submitted by Michelle Rowe
Youth Activities Committee Chairwoman



INDEPENDENCE DAY AT THE LODGE
CELEBRATING
Elks 4th OF JULY
ON SUNDAY, JULY 3rd



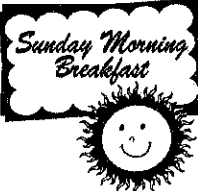
Elks Lodge # 315 AUGUST 2016 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Trustee Meeting 7:00 PM	3	4 Veterans Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	5 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	6 Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM
7 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM DDGER Clinic 10:00 AM	8	9 House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	10	11	12 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	13 Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM
14 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM	15	16	17 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	18	19 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	20 Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM
21 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM	22	23 House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	24	25	26 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	27 MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY 2:00 PM — Till
28 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM	29	30	31	HOME CLUB HOURS Monday & Tuesday - 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM Wednesday & Thursday - 1:00 PM to Midnight Friday & Saturday - 1:00 PM to 2:00 AM Sunday - 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM		

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU			
AUGUST 6 th TO BE ANNOUNCED	AUGUST 13 th TO BE ANNOUNCED	AUGUST 20 th TO BE ANNOUNCED	AUGUST 27 th MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY See Ad on Page 8

NOTICE
Last Call is 15 Minutes before the posted CLOSING TIME. MEMBERS must leave the Lodge at Closing time — NO EXCEPTIONS!

Heads Up for SEPTEMBER
Labor Day Activities at the Lodge - Monday the 5th / Charity Golf Tournament - Friday the 9th
Denbigh Day (Lodge Drug Awareness Program) - Saturday the 17th
Salute to Veterans Dinner (Melinda's Cause) - Saturday the 17th
Veterans Fundraising Breakfast Buffet - Sunday the 21st



Meals from the Menu or "a la carte"
Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Biscuits, Toast, Grits, Belgium Waffles, Pancakes, French Toast, Country Gravy, Grits, & Eggs to Order. Sausage Biscuit (with Egg and, or Cheese) & Omelets
Milk, Orange Juice, Coffee or Tea

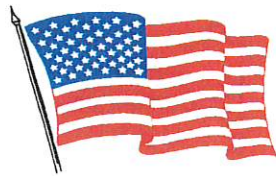
HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE

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Katheryn Crothers - Dennis Cantrell - Ralph Simmons

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