

ELK'S HORN

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge # 315
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**FROM THE
EXALTED RULER**



Timmy Means



To all ELKS of the Lodge

I am very excited looking forward to our new Lodge Year. We have a great opportunity to excel in our Community, Veterans, Charity & Fraternal Programs. I am grateful for the past year; however, I feel this year will be the best ever and I know all Members will work very hard to make that happen. Let's get started NOW!

On Sunday March 26th we Installed our Lodge Officers for this year. I would like to say a special "Thank You" to Mike Korb (PER, PDDGER, PGLC) for officiating at the Installation Ceremony. I would ask the new Officers to remember the oath you took and diligently apply it to your actions as you perform your duties for this new Lodge Year.

To finish out the last Lodge Year, after the Installation Ceremony I presented awards for the past Lodge Year. These included Grand Exalted Ruler Pins to two Members for recruiting to Irvin Brown and Ray Fletcher, an award to Zalph Andrews, Jr. from the ENF for many years of donating, eight Lodge # 315 Certificates of Appreciation for significant service in our Lodge to Members Bill Howell, Heide Woods, Jennifer Curran, Barbara McDonald, Terry Dougherty, Ralph Simmons, Charlie Waddell, & Kathleen Gillard. Also, two Grand Lodge Certificates of Achievement were presented to Delma Kellum and Michelle Rowe for their service. The Elk Lodge "Officer of the Year" was presented to Richard Means by the president of the PER Association Mike Korb. The "ELK of the YEAR" was presented to Gwen Means.

Lodge Committees are the "Shakers & Bakers" of making our Lodge's activities and programs successful. I ask all local Members to consider participating as a member of a Lodge committee. In the past I have been told by several members that serving on a committee was very rewarding. In most cases only a few hours at month are required. To our many new Members this is a way for you to help make a difference. Remember that social activities are good, but our Fraternal Order does a hell of a lot more than socialize, be a part of all Lodge programs and when you do, you will become part of Elkdom that has a motto of "ELKS Care - ELKS Share".

Looking ahead! April is a slow month for Lodge Activities. The Veterans Committee will be collecting "stuff" for the Veterans moving into new housing. Please help in this effort.

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LODGE OFFICERS 2017 - 2018

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Esteemed Leading Knight
Dawn Bardy | 
Esteemed Loyal Knight
Vicki Ferreira | 
Esteemed Lecturing
Barbara McDonald | 
Secretary
Zalph Andrews, Jr. | 
Treasurer
Terry Dougherty | 
Esquire
Dana Burton | 
Tiler
Scarlet Hilliard |
| 
Chaplain
Kathryn Crothers | 
Inner Guard
Charles Alley | 
One Year Trustee
P. J. Fresquez | 
Two Year Trustee
Scott Corbett | 
Three Year Trustee
Paul Ferreira | 
Four Year Trustee
Bill Dougherty | 
Five Year Trustee
Chris Bartelsmeyer |

May will have more activities. The New House Committee has not met yet for this new year and has not had a chance to plan Saturday night menus. Please bear with them. Menus will be announced and you will enjoy them! Also, the Youth Activities Committee will host "BAR BINGO" on Thursday April 20th please come out for this fundraiser for the VEA Youth Camp.

In closing, I would like to thank Zalph Andrews, Jr. for the many hours he spends in developing, editing and publishing "The Elk's Horn" our Lodge Newsletter. I have looked at Newsletters from other Lodges in Virginia and ours is the best!

I will say to all Members who reside in the local area that Lodge business is conducted at Lodge Meetings. What constitutes Lodge Business by subject and order conducted is stated in Section 15.020 of the Statutes of the Order and on the last three pages of our Lodge By-Laws. Be there or you LOOSE your right to complain about the business conducted!

I WILL SEE YOU AT THE LODGE MEETINGS ON

APRIL 5th & 19th

Timmy Means (PER) - Exalted Ruler



Member James McGraft has been diagnosed with cancer and is waiting for a second opinion before starting treatment. Member Anett Geary is being treated for lung cancer. Karen Ruscoe, wife of Member Fred Ruscoe passed on March 23rd after a long fight with cancer.

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 PER Raymond Fletcher the Lodge Sickness & Distress Advocate to report sickness or for assistance for distressed Members. Raymond's phone # is (757) 871- 4894. If he doesn't answer leave a message & he will return your call.

NOTICE:

The next Deputy District Grand Exalted Ruler Clinic will be held on Sunday, April 2, 2017 at the Onancock Lodge # 1766. The mandatory attendance is the Exalted Ruler, Leading Knight, Secretary & Chairman of the Board of Trustees. However all members are invited and encouraged to attend. The Lodge will provide Transportation (Van) for members wishing to go; However, we must have a list of attendees by close of business on March 30th for those wishing to ride in the van. Call, email or text the Secretary or leave a message at the Lodge. These meetings are informative especially for new Lodge Officers, Committee Chairs & Members. **PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.**

MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND EXALTED RULER



Progressive leadership builds successful Lodge

Exalted Rulers, congratulations upon your election as the leader of your Lodge. Your Members have put their faith and trust in you because of your willingness to volunteer your time and effort. They believe in your leadership to assume the challenges that lie ahead. You must lead with impartiality and perform the duties with which you are charged.

You should set your goals and encourage every Member to become involved in your Lodge and Lodge-sponsored community activities. Local community service programs will stimulate a return to increasing your Lodge membership.

As the leader of your Lodge, you are charged with following the Constitution and Laws of the Order and Lodge Bylaws. Take advantage of the tools and manuals that are available to help you do so, including the Grand Lodge manuals posted at Elks.Org. These manuals will provide the guidance to ensure that you will have a successful year as the leader of your Lodge.

New Lodge Officers, thank you for accepting the challenge of helping lead the activities aimed at achieving your Lodge goals. You need to be proactive in seeking opportunities to be a vital contributor to the growth and success of your Lodge. As you participate in those activities, remember that your actions speak louder than words. Approach all of your Elks activities with a positive frame of mind, and earn the reputation as an energetic person.

Activities are vital to a successful Lodge. They should focus on family and community involvement when planning activities throughout the year. Involve new Members and encourage them to become active in Lodge and social functions. New ideas from new Members will have a positive influence on the future direction of the Lodge.

The pride and knowledge that you embrace – properly cultivated in the hearts of our Members, and keeping the membership informed and involved – are the solutions to our problems.

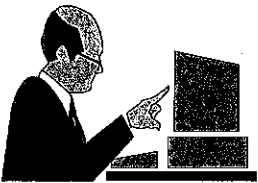
In closing, I wish you every success, and with hard work, determination and the support from your Members, your Lodge will prosper and grow.

And finally, thank you for being an Elk, and for Caring and Sharing and demonstrating that Elks are Leading the Way.

MICHAEL F. ZELLEN - GRAND EXALTED RULER

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

SECRETARY NOTES



I would remind all Members who have not payed your Dues for Lodge Year 2017-2018 soon you will be delinquent. Please return the statement provided with your dues payment. As of March 28, 2017 there are 37 of

163 Members who have not payed Lodge Dues for the new Lodge Year. **The door key card locks will be changed before opening on April 1st. After that the only way you may enter the Lodge is if you have your dues payment in hand!**

The Lodge is required to submit to the Grand Lodge a complete list of Lodge Committee Chairmen and Members of Committees by April 15, 2017. Please if wish to serve on a committee let us know soonest! A list of Committees and Chairpersons is posted following. Most committees require A minimum of three members and the House Committee requires seven. Several still need members! Please volunteer. You will be glad you did!

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 (757) 877- 0171 (Bar) or (757) 633-2014 (Secretary Office) and Lodge EMAIL at bpoe315@yahoo.com.

Zalph Andrews, Jr. - Lodge Secretary

FROM the BOARD of TRUSTEES



The Board of Trustees held its monthly meeting on March 8th, 2017. We discussed multiple lodge issues.

We also reviewed the previous month's vouchers and found no discrepancies. I would like to let everyone know that the Budget is being developed and if anyone with any input please let me

know as soon as possible, because I will be posting the Proposed 2017 - 2018 Budget on the bulletin board next to the current 2016 - 2017 Budget during the first week of April. We will be voting on the Budget at the Lodge Meeting on the 19th of April.

I want to let everyone know that on the 14th of April the Trustees will be pressure washing both the deck and the handicap ramp. And weather permitting, on the 15th and 16th of April we will be painting both the deck and the handicap ramp. So plan accordingly and I apologize for any inconvenience.

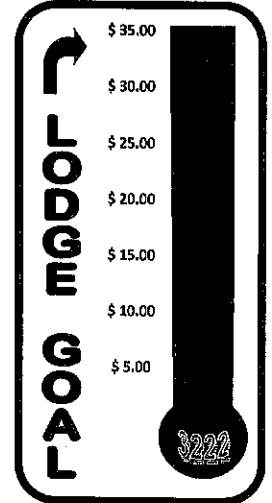
We are looking at getting cushions for the wooden table stools. And we are planning on doing a raffle to offset the cost. Any questions on this get with Bill Daugherty.

Paul Ferreira - Chairman

If Patrick Henry thought that taxation without representation was bad, he should see how bad it is with representation.— *Farmer's Almanac*

FROM the ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

As of March 24th 2017 our Lodge per capita donations are \$36.27 & we are currently 2nd in the state & also 41st of 1,926 Lodges Nationally. I wont know till the first of April where we ended up for the year. I want to personally thank all of our Members who have donated whether you personally gave or you donated through my ENF dinner or raffles. Remember the easy (and painless) way is to join the "Fidelity Club", by doing so you can have your credit card or bank account drafted for as little as \$5.00 a month or \$15.00 Quarterly. Forms are at the Lodge or call me, or go on line to www.Elks.org/enf.



I look forward to being your Chairwoman for 2017-2018. Please look out for different funding events throughout the new year to help support ENF.

Michelle Rowe - Chairwoman

VETERANS REPORT



The Veterans Committee held its monthly meeting on March 2nd, 2017.

First I would like to thank the Exalted Ruler Tim Means for selecting me to serve as the Chairwoman of the Veterans Committee

for the Lodge Year 2017-2018.

I would like to thank Bonnie Stepp for all her hard work as the outgoing Veterans Committee Chairwoman. I look forward to be able to come to you for any guidance or support I may need.

Thank you to all that sold the Spring Raffle tickets. I heard the night was a huge success.

I would like thank Dave Potter for the monetary donation that is going towards the Veterans Committee funds.

Thank you Paul Ferreira for continuing to stock the candy bars for our members. And thank you to all the members that purchased the candy bars. If you would like any different types of candy bars, just let Paul or myself know.

We will continue to support the USO by stocking their food pantries. Thank you Zalph Andrews for your continued dedication to this cause.

During the month of April we will be collecting items for the Veterans apartment starter kits. There will be flyers posted throughout the Lodge with the items that we need. There will be a list located on the Veterans Board so that you can see what is still needed.

Also, on the 15th of April, at the Stoney Run Athletic Complex, the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team will be playing both the Newport News Police Dept. at 12:30pm and then the Newport News Fire Dept. at 3:00pm. We will have an Elks Lodge table set up with a visit from "Elroy" the Elk's Drug awareness Mascot. There will be flyers posted throughout the Lodge with more information.

As the new Chairwoman of the Veterans Committee, I am looking forward to a successful Lodge Year. We all believe it will be very successful and we the Veterans Committee will do everything we can to make it happen!

Vicki Ferreira - Chairwoman

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee is happy to report that we ended Lodge Year 2016-2017 with a positive Membership gain as shown in the chart below.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS END of LODGE YEAR 2016-2017	
Starting Membership Lodge Year 2016-2017	151
Initiated (+16), Affiliated (+2) & Reinstated (+3)	21
Members Died (-3), Dropped (-6)	9
End of Year Total (+12 = a 8% gain)	163

The Committee thanks all who recruited new Members. Also, currently we have five new applications being processed. While we are ahead of last year the job isn't done. Recruiting a new Member is task every Member (in the local area) should take seriously. We as a Lodge have a lot to offer. Remember, when you give an application to a prospective candidate also give them a copy of the Lodge Information Brochure located with the applications by the front door of the Lodge. If you need help with recruiting a new member please ask the Committee for help. Thank you for your efforts last year. Now let's get started for this year!

Dawn Bardy - Chairwoman

FROM the ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

On February 26, 2017 we hosted our Annual Chili Cook-off Fundraiser. Once again, our Cook-off was a great success. Thank you to everyone who came out to support our event, all those who bought raffles, those who took the time to make and submit a chili, and to all those who helped behind the scenes. Our event would not have been nearly as successful without everyone's generous contributions. There were 15 total chills submitted. A special congratulations to Kelly Stevens whose chili won 3rd place, Lorraine Gunst who took home second, and Jennifer Curran who was the first place winner.

I'd like to thank Vicki Ferreira and Felicia Burton for their help serving the tasting cups, as well as Michelle Waddell for running the 50/50 raffle. Additionally I'd like to thank Art Robinson for his help in keeping the

chili organized throughout the night. In total, we raised \$737 for Free to Breathe, an organization working to fight lung cancer.

Once again, thanks to everyone for your support!

Jennifer Curran - Activities Committee Chairwoman

Lodge Secretary Note: At the Lodge Meeting on March 15, 2015, the Lodge voted to add \$ 263.00 to the funds raised at the above described event to make the total available to the charity of \$1,000.00.

FROM the YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE



This year we know of lots of young ladies dying to go to the Elks Youth Camp this summer. Each month we would like to try a fundraiser to raise money to send these girls to camp. Each Camper costs the Lodge \$150.00. For April, I will be hosting a "Bar Bingo" fundraiser on Thursday, April 20th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Everyone that comes out and PARTICIPATES in the bingo will receive a chip for a beverage from the Committee.

Michelle Rowe—Chairwoman

FROM the HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE



It is a new year with a new Home Club. I would like to take this time to thank Rich Means for all the hard work and time he has committed over the last few years and for a job well done. Enjoy your rest.

The meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM. We welcome any suggestions that you may have regarding things you would like to see changed or improved. The suggestion box is located on the shelf by the front door, behind the white board. Please do not hesitate to use it.

Barbara McDonald - Chairwoman

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. In the United States, what is the most popular Mexican can beer?
2. What does "Mit Hefe" on a German beer bottle mean?
3. On Jan 24, 1935, what did drinkers see for the first time ever?
4. Per capita, which state consumes the least beer and which the most beer?
5. What was the ancient Egyptian cure for hemorrhoids?

(ANSWERS on PAGE 10)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

In The
BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE
ORDER of ELKS

Newport News Lodge # 315



**Clarence Hill & James Meadows
INITIATED - March 1, 2017**



**Teresa Munson & Clarence Hobgood
INITIATED - March 15, 2017**

Our Lodge Officers at the Virginia Elks Association Annual Training Session - March 18, 2017



(Left to Right Front Row) - Scarlet Hilliard, Tiler (Elect) - Vicki Ferreira Loyal Knight - Zalph Andrews, Secretary (Left to Right Top Row) Bill Dougherty, Trustee - Terry Dougherty, Treasurer Scott Corbett, Trustee - Dawn Barty, Leading Knight (elect) & Charles Alley, Inner Guard (Elect)

The session was held at the Charlottesville Lodge # 398.

LODGE COMMITTEES YEAR 2017-2018

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
Chairman—Vacant

LODGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
Chairwoman—Jennifer Curran

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
Michelle Rowe—Chairwoman

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Dawn Bardy—Chairwoman

VETERANS COMMITTEE
Vicki Ferreira—Chairwoman

HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE
Barbara McDonald—Chairwoman

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE
Scott Corbett—Chairman

AUDIT & ACCOUNTING COMMITTEE
Scarlet Hilliard—Chairwoman

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Zalph Andrews, Jr,—Chairman

ENF COMMITTEE
Michelle Rowe—Chairwoman

DRUG AWARENESS COMMITTEE
Timmy Means—Chairman

ACCIDENT PREVENTION COMMITTEE
Bill Dougherty—Chairman



LODGE COORDINATORS

Scholarship—Delma Kellum
Hoop Shoot—Rich Means

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| Herbert W. Akers 1 st | Donald Parkerson 20 th |
| Richard F. Zawaiski 2 nd | Stephen Size 20 th |
| Dena Janowski 3 rd | Jennifer Cook 21 st |
| Dana Burton 6 th | Charlie E. Waddell 22 nd |
| Kelvin N. Parker 6 th | Tim W. True 23 rd |
| Vicki Lynn Ferreira 12 th | Diane Mayer 25 th |
| Dawn M. Bardy 13 th | John J. McLean 29 th |
| James P. Healy 15 th | Ellen E. Gillard 30 th |

Elks Care - Elks Share

INSTALLIATION of LODGE OFFICERS for 2017-2018



AWARDS for LODGE YEAR 2016-2017



Congratulations to all award winners.

MEMBER AWARDS for LODGE YEAR 2016 - 2017

Benevolent and Protective
Grand Lodge **Elks** Order of Elks
usa

2016-2017
By virtue of having been designated

ELK OF THE YEAR

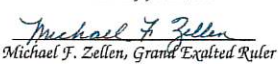
This Award is conferred upon

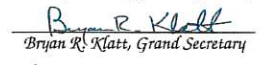
Gwendolyn I. Means


Newport News, Virginia Lodge No. 215


As An expression of the Gratitude and Appreciation of the Members of the Lodge and of the Grand Lodge for Loyal and Meritorious Services in the Furtherance of the Aims of Our Order.

In Testimony, whereof, witness our signatures
This the 15th day of March, 2017.


 Michael F. Zellen,
Grand Exalted Ruler


 Bryan R. Klatt,
Grand Secretary


 Tenny Means,
Exalted Ruler



Benevolent and Protective
Grand Lodge **Elks** Order of Elks
usa

2016-2017
By virtue of having been designated

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

This Award is conferred upon

Richard A. Means, Esteemed Leading Knight

Newport News, Virginia Lodge No. 215

For Dedicated and Meritorious Service to the Lodge, Who By Unselfish Commitment and Cheerful Enthusiasm Furthered Elksdom's Programs While Fulfilling the Responsibilities as an Officer of the Lodge in an Exemplary Manner.

In Testimony, whereof, witness our signatures
This the 15th day of March, 2017.


 Michael F. Zellen,
Grand Exalted Ruler


 Bryan R. Klatt,
Grand Secretary



Grand Lodge **Elks** Order of Elks
usa

2016 2017

GRAND EXALTED RULER'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE COMMENDATION

IS ISSUED TO

Michelle A. Rowe

RECOGNIZING THE EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF THIS DEDICATED MEMBER TO OUR LODGE AND THEREBY TO THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

Elks Care — Elks Share

In testimony whereof, witness our signatures
this, the 20th day of March 2017


 Michael F. Zellen,
Grand Exalted Ruler


 Douglas A. Sloop,
President



Grand Lodge **Elks** Order of Elks
usa

2016 2017

GRAND EXALTED RULER'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE COMMENDATION


IS ISSUED TO


Delma J. Kellum


RECOGNIZING THE EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF THIS DEDICATED MEMBER TO OUR LODGE AND THEREBY TO THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

Elks Care — Elks Share

In testimony whereof, witness our signatures
this, the 20th day of March 2017


 Michael F. Zellen,
Grand Exalted Ruler


 Douglas A. Sloop,
President



NEWPORT NEWS LODGE #315
OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE USA

PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

William (Bill) L. Howell, Jr.

LODGE TRUSTEE & SELF TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR

LODGE YEAR 2017

For planning and directing the Lodge Charity Golf Tournament which was a resounding success. Also, for the many, many things done for the Lodge in a friendly, fun loving and helpful manner. A true leader in implementing programs that enhanced our Lodge's reputation. Thank you for your service. Your efforts contributed greatly to the successful Lodge Year.



NEWPORT NEWS LODGE #315
OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE USA

PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

Kathleen Gillard

LODGE CHAPLAIN

LODGE YEAR 2017

For your dedication to the position as Lodge Chaplain. You were present at all Lodge Meetings during the past year and were instrumental in performing your duties. Your efforts exemplify the principles of our order. Thank you for your service. Your efforts contributed greatly to the successful Lodge Year.



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PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

Charlie Waddell

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
& LODGE TRUSTEE

LODGE YEAR 2017

For planning and directing the Lodge Thanksgiving and Christmas Charity Golf Tournament. Also, for the many, many things done for the Lodge in a friendly, fun loving and helpful manner. A true leader in implementing programs that enhanced our Lodge's reputation. Thank you for your service. Your efforts contributed greatly to the successful Lodge Year.



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PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

Barbara McDonald

HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBER & LODGE OFFICER

LODGE YEAR 2017

For your dedication to the position as House Committee Member and Lodge Officer. You were present at all Lodge Meetings during the past year and were instrumental in performing your duties. Your efforts exemplify the principles of our order. Thank you for your service. Your efforts contributed greatly to the successful Lodge Year.



NEWPORT NEWS LODGE #315
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PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION


TO

Ralph Simmons

HOUSE COMMITTEE MEMBER

LODGE YEAR 2017

For your dedication as a member of the House Committee. Your efforts greatly assisted the Committee in presenting the Lodge a quality series of activities. You were present at all Lodge Meetings during the past year and were instrumental in performing your duties. Your efforts exemplify the principles of our order.



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OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE USA

PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION


TO

Terry Dougherty

LODGE TREASURER

LODGE YEAR 2017

For assistance in the management of the Lodge funds in your charge. Your efforts in carrying on a successful accounting procedure were of great assistance to the management of our Lodge financial. Thank you for your service. Your efforts exemplify the principles of our order.



NEWPORT NEWS LODGE #315
OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE USA

PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

Jannifer Curran

LODGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

LODGE YEAR 2017

For your dedicated action in organizing and managing many Lodge functions. Your efforts resulted in a highly successful and enjoyable year for the Lodge. Thank you for your service. Your efforts exemplify the principles of our order.



NEWPORT NEWS LODGE #315
OF THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS OF THE USA

PRESENTS

A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

TO

Irmhilde Woods

PLUS SIX COORDINATOR & VETERANS ADVOCATE

LODGE YEAR 2017

For planning and directing the Plus Six Committee for many years. For leading other members in supporting Lodge Veterans Programs. Also, for the many, many things done for the Lodge in a friendly, fun loving and helpful manner. A true leader in implementing programs that enhanced our Lodge's reputation. Thank you for your service. Your efforts contributed greatly to the successful Lodge Year.




Elks National Foundation
Presents this certificate to

Mr. Ralph H. Andrews Jr.

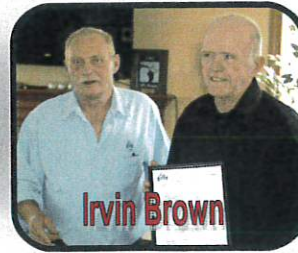
one of our Permanent Benefactors
in acknowledgment and appreciation of generous donations totaling \$2,000 or more toward the philanthropic projects fostered by the Elks National Foundation.

Elks National Foundation
1000 1st Street
Springfield, VA 22151



GRAND EXALTED RULER PIN

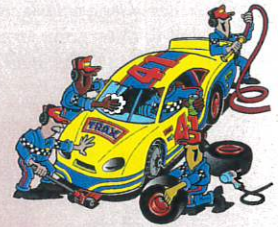
Presented for Recruiting
Three or More New Members
During Lodge Year 2016-2017



THE 8TH Elks ANNUAL CHILI COOK - OFF &

THE DAYTONA 500 RACE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19th



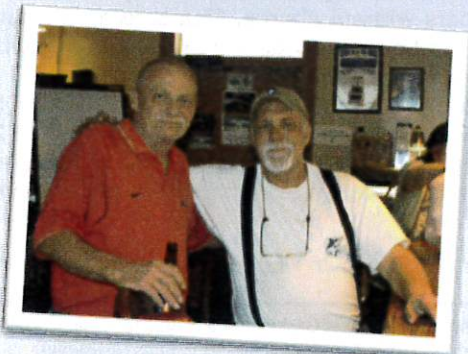
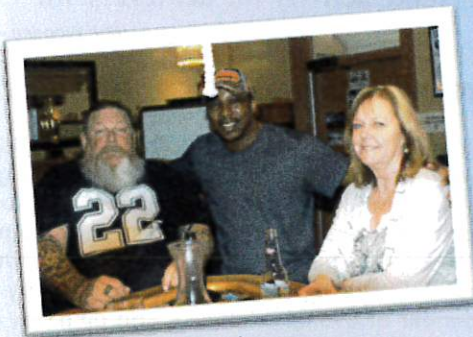
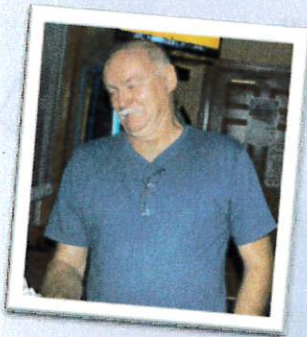
THIS EVENT RAISED \$ 737

for **Race for Breath**
Lung Cancer, 5K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Walk, and Kids Fun Run



A FUND RAISING DINNER SUPPORTING March 25th

 Children's Hospital
of The King's Daughters

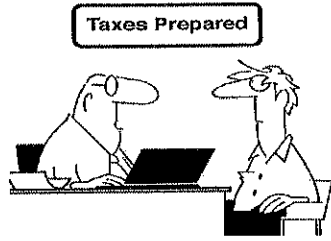




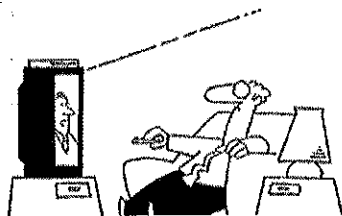
APRIL IS THE FRIST FULL MONTH OF SPRING & THAT IS GOOD, THE ONLY THING WRONG WITH APRIL IS YOUR TAXES ARE DUE !!



"If you claim your fleas as dependents, you may qualify for the earned income Tax Credit"



"Our ads promise you the biggest refund possible, so we're instructing your employer to withhold 300% of your paycheck this year"



"Today we are introducing a new simplified Tax Code: Send us your money & we'll send back whatever we don't use"



"The meek will inherit the earth, but the inheritance tax will force them to sell it back to the rich"

"Few of us ever test our powers of deduction, except when filling out an income tax form."

"Next to being shot at and missed, nothing is really quite as satisfying as an income tax refund."

"Like mothers, taxes are often misunderstood, but seldom forgotten."

"Income tax has made more liars out of the American people than golf."

"The best measure of a man's honesty isn't his income tax return. It's the zero adjust on his bathroom scale."

BUMPER STICKER of the MONTH

LORD GIVE ME PATIENCE ... BUT HURRY !



FIND YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND WIN A FREE BEVERAGE. The March # was Ralph Simmons.

ANSWERS to TRIVIA QUERTIONS

1. Corona
2. With Yeast
3. Beer Can
4. Utah (Least) & California (Most)
5. Lots of beer

RECIPE of The MONTH

Pistachio-Lemon Bars

THE CRUST:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 cup cold, unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
- 1/4 cup shelled unsalted pistachios, roughly chopped



THE FILLING:

- 2 eggs
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
- 4 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/3 cup shelled unsalted pistachios
- Confectioners' sugar, for garnish

To make crust, preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8-inch square pan with parchment paper (if using foil, lightly butter it). Place flour, sugar and salt in a food processor and pulse a few times. Add butter and process until well combined. Stir in chopped pistachios. Firmly press mixture into the bottom of the lined pan using the flat bottom of a glass or measuring cup (if it sticks, place a piece of parchment paper on the dough before pressing). Bake until lightly browned, about 20 minutes. Meanwhile, whisk together the filling ingredients. When the crust is baked, pour the filling into the pan and bake until set, about 20 minutes. Let cool completely. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar and cut into 2-inch squares.

"Never mistake activity for achievement."

- John Wooden -

FROM the NEWSLETTER EDITOR



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Elks Lodge # 315 APRIL 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p align="center">HOME CLUB HOURS</p> <p align="center">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</p>						<p align="center">1</p> <p align="center">Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM</p>
<p align="center">2</p> <p align="center">Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM</p>	<p align="center">3</p> <p align="center">Veterans Committee Meeting 6:30 PM</p>	<p align="center">4</p> <p align="center">Trustee Meeting 7:00 PM</p>	<p align="center">5</p> <p align="center">LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM</p>	<p align="center">6</p>	<p align="center">7</p>	<p align="center">8</p> <p align="center">Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM</p>
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<p align="center">16</p> <p align="center">Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM</p>	<p align="center">17</p>	<p align="center">18</p>	<p align="center">19</p> <p align="center">LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM</p>	<p align="center">20</p> <p align="center">Bar Bingo For the Youth Camp 6:30 -8:00 PM</p>	<p align="center">21</p>	<p align="center">22</p> <p align="center">Dinner 6:00 — 8:00 PM</p>
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<p align="center">30</p> <p align="center">Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM</p>						

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER MENU

APRIL 1 st	APRIL 8 th	APRIL 15 th	APRIL 22 th	APRIL 29 th
<p>DINNER MENUS ARE TO BE ANNOUNCED</p>				



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

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