

ELK'S HORN

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FROM THE
EXALTED RULER



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Timmy Means



To all ELKS of the Lodge

September ends the first half of our Lodge Year. The first six months have been very successful. I want to thank all Committees for your work in providing the functions and to the Members who participated. To Vicki Ferreira a special thanks. This was your first Year serving as Chairwoman of the Veterans Committee and you have guided the Committee in accomplishing an aggressive and successful program. Thank you Jennifer Curren as the Lodge Activities Committee Chair for great events especially the Breast Cancer fund raising program. To Michelle Rowe we owe a thank you for your efforts as Chair of the ENF & Youth Activities Committees and also for many other things you have done for the Lodge. All thanks the Home Club House Committee chaired by Barbara McDonald for the work accomplished especially the Membership Appreciation Day event. To Scott Corbett who Chairs the Americanism Committee for the Memorial and Independence Day outings. We have recruited eight new Members this year, thank you Dawn Brady for your efforts as the Membership Chairwoman. The Lodge Auditing & Accounting Committee conducted required Audits and made sound recommendations, I thank Scarlet Hilliard, Chairwoman, for her efforts. I have named Committee Chairs, but they are only as good as the Members who serve on their Committees and Lodge Members who attend and participate in general. Bottom Line: I thank all for a great first half of this Year!

I also wish to thank our Lodge Secretary, Zalph Andrews who in addition to his duties as Secretary, designs, edits and publishes the "ELK'S HORN" our Lodge Newsletter. I have looked at many other Lodge's Newsletters in the State and ours is the Best.

September will be very busy month at the Lodge. It starts off with a Labor Day Picnic, then the House Committee will have a buffet breakfast, and following will be our Participation in "Denhigh Day Community Fair" with our drug awareness booth & "ELROY", next will be the Veterans Fundraising Dinner known as "Melinda's Cause" and finally the annual Charity Golf Tournament. I hope all Members will support these Activities.

October will have several events and then the Holiday Season will start with numerous events. All Committees always need help. So to newer Members this is your chance to step forward and help make our Lodge excel. Please volunteer to help. You can make a difference in the quality of our events!

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LODGE OFFICERS 2017 - 2018



Esteemed Leading Knight
Dawn Bardy



Esteemed Loyal Knight
Vicki Ferreira



Esteemed Lecturing
Barbara McDonald



Secretary
Zalph Andrews, Jr.



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Tiler
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Two Year Trustee
Scott Corbett



Three Year Trustee
Paul Ferreira



Four Year Trustee
Bill Dougherty



Five Year Trustee
Chris Bartelsmeyer

Membership is always a concern. We started the Year with a significant gain from the previous year. Currently we are on track to have a severe loss in total membership at the end of this Lodge Year. Membership is the "LIFEBLOOD of the LODGE". Please Help - **Recruit a New Member Today!**

The Southeastern District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DDGER) will conduct this official Visit and Audit of the Lodge at and before our Scheduled Meeting on September 6, 2017. I expect all Lodge Officers to Attend. Lodge Officers will have Dinner with the DDGER and his Staff before the Lodge Meeting.

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 LOSE your right to complain about the business conducted!

**I WILL SEE YOU AT THE LODGE MEETINGS ON
SEPTEMBER 6th & 20th**

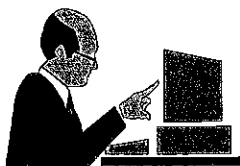
Timmy Means (PER) - Exalted Ruler



None reported at the time of publication of this newsletter

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.

SECRETARY NOTES



I would like to remind all and especially Lodge Officers and Committee Chairpersons that the Official Annual Visit and Audit from the Southeastern District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler (DDGER) on September 6, 2017 is an important event to our Lodge. He with his Esquire and Auditor will review all financial records, procedures we use to account for Lodge funds, records management, safety issues, committee minutes, review our submission of the Grand Lodge Financial Report & Federal Tax Return and make an assessment of the overall operation of our Lodge. He will also attend to Regular Scheduled Lodge Meeting on the day of his visit. Also, the Order of Business at that Lodge Meeting during the DDGER attendance will be modified to eliminate Propositions for Membership, Balloting on Candidates, Reports of Committees, Old and New business. The DDGER will report his findings to us under the Good of the Order. The 50/50 drawing will be held and Lodge Meeting closed in regular form.

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FROM the GRAND EXALTED RULER



**PRACTICE THE THREE R'S:
RECRUIT, RETAIN, RESPOND**

With summer winding down and your Lodge meetings and fall programs starting up again, there's no better time to focus on an important aspect of Elkdom: membership. We cannot sustain our organization without installing new Members, and by focusing on membership growth at your Local Lodge, you are investing in the future of the Order.

Membership is key to my theme of "Strengthening Elkdom Through Community Awareness," since there can be no community without Members. At the local level, I encourage all Lodges to actively promote new Member recruitment at your upcoming fall events, and I call on officers and committees to lead the charge in creating programming and opportunities to involve new faces.

When your existing Members are engaged and excited to lend a hand, it generates interest in joining the Order, as well as shines a positive light on your Lodge within your greater community, county and state. A Lodge that successfully recruits and retains will be better poised to respond to helping those in need.

There are many ways to practice the three R's. Recruit new Members from your circle of friends and family, invite non-members to Elks events, and further promote the Elks organization at all events by setting up a membership and public relations information table.

Retain your current membership by working with officers and Members to keep your Lodge active in the community with monthly charitable and social events, and enlist the help of each and every Member to help run these functions. Teamwork boosts morale and keeps Members happy to be part of the group.

With these practices in place, your Lodge will be set up for success, as we have in the past 150 years, to respond to the needs of your community and ultimately fulfill your organization's goals.

MALCOLM J. McPHERSON JR.

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

From the Lodge Grant Coordinator - Vicki Andrews

We have just been notified that the "Freedom Grant" we applied for has been approved in the amount of \$2,000.00. This Grant is to be used by the Veterans Committee for purpose of making starter kits for Homeless Veterans designated by HVAMC transitioning into permanent living places.

VETERANS COMMITTEE REPORT



The Veterans Committee held its monthly meeting on August 14th 2017.

We discussed the planning of our All You Can Eat, Taco Bar Night which was scheduled for Friday September 8th, 6 PM till 9 PM. It was stated that this event could not happen because there was already another event set for September. So this event has been cancelled.

Starting the end of August, we will be collecting items for our Homeless Veterans Stand Down . A list will be posted on the Veterans board as to what is needed. There will be a blue bucket by the fireplace, to put items in. We will be making 150 Men's kits, 15 Woman's, and 75 food kits. We are in need of gloves, socks, and hats. Food items such as Slim Jims, nab crackers, cereal bars, tuna/chicken packets and small bottles of water. Your donation in any of the above items will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all that have been purchasing candy, to support our Veterans. If you want to see anything different or want more of one item, please let Paul or myself know.

Thank you Zalph for your continued dedication for helping keep the USO's pantry's stocked.

As Labor Day will be approaching, I will update the Veterans Committee as to when next meeting will be.

Vicki Ferreira - Chairwoman

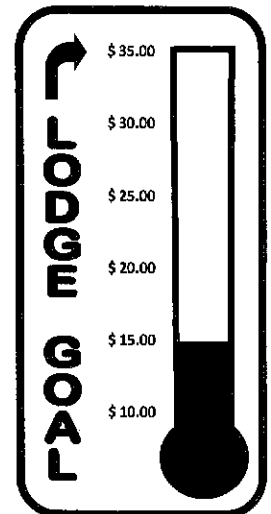
FROM the ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Currently our lodge is at \$9.42! Please continue to help ENF. October is ENF month I will be hosting my annual Dinner in memory of my mother Frances Vogel. This year I will post a sign up sheet for dinner as you all know rolling cabbage is time consuming and I want to be sure there is enough. So please sign up on the Bulletin Board I will post it Mid-September. Thank you all in advance.

There are 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. They fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We help youth develop lifelong skills, send students to college, meet the needs of today's Veterans, support the charitable work of the state Elks Associations, and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

Michelle Rowe - Chairwoman

Elks Care - Elks Share



I am normally in the Lodge on weekdays in the early afternoon. My cell # is (757) 879-3505 and Home # is (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 August 1st, 2017. We discussed many Lodge issues.

We also reviewed the previous month's Payment Vouchers as required and found no discrepancies.

On the 23rd of August ADT Security updated the security systems in the Lodge. This upgrade included adding and installing new cameras in the offices upstairs where the safes are located and installing an upgraded control panel. This upgrade included installing apps on designated Lodge Officers smart phones so they can observe activities in the Lodge in "real time" when required. The Exalted Ruler designated the Lodge Secretary as the Lodge Security Systems Manager and charged him with the responsibility to control and monitor those systems and to insure their functionality.

The Trustees will conduct the semi-annual review and update of the Current Year Lodge Budget in September. Lodge Officers, Committee Chairman and Members should submit any required or recommend changes by September 15th.

The Trustees are conducting and recording an inventory of Lodge Personal property (Personal Property is defined as anything not permanently a part of the building). This inventory is to support how much insurance we purchase an to support any future claim.

If anyone wants to know what the Trustees discuss in our meetings, all Members are invited to attend.

We are thinking about doing another Trustee BBQ sale in the October time frame. We am looking for feedback on this idea. So when you see me or one of the Trustees please let us know what you think about it.

Once again, I would like to thank all the smokers for using the two big flower pots for your cigarette butts. I can tell the difference. There is a lot less cigarette butts on the ground.

Paul Ferreira - Chairman

INFORMATION for RECENT NEW MEMBERS

On September 24th the Activities Committee will host an event called "A Salute to Veterans—Melinda's Cause", see details on page 5. This event is named for Member Melinda Angel (1961-2010). Melinda served as a very active Lodge Veterans Committee Chair from 2007 to 2010 and started the annual event known as "A Salute to Veterans". After her passing from Cancer the Lodge added "Melinda's Cause" to the title of the Annual event in memory of her dedication and hard work in supporting the Lodge Veterans Programs.

**FROM the HOME CLUB
HOUSE COMMITTEE**



We would like to thank all Members that attended the Membership Appreciation Day event held on August 19th. We had a great turnout and a good time. See the pictures on pages 6 & 7.

There will be a "All You Can Eat" Breakfast in Sunday, September 17th hosted by the Home Club. See the Ad below for the Menu.

As per the Lodge Check Cashing Policy, when cashing checks to play Gaming Machines if you win more than the amount of your check then you shall buy your check back. Please corporate in this policy.

Barbara McDonald - Chairwoman

SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY



Exalted Ruler, Timmy Means & Jennifer Curran, Chairman Lodge Activities Committee presenting a check for \$ 3,500.00 to Debbie Atkinson Director of the Riverside Breast Cancer Care Center on August 16, 2017. The funds were raised at the Breast Cancer Awareness Dinner held at our Lodge on June 24th. This years contribution brings our total to over \$10,000.00 donated to this charity over the last four years making our Lodge "Founders Society" members through Riverside Hospital in the State of Virginia.

LABOR DAY

Sunday, September 3rd
2:00 to 5:00 PM



Hot Dogs, & Hamburgers, Brats & Chicken
Provided by the
AMERICAISM COMMITTEE

Bring a Dish to Share

(Sign up the Lodge Bulletin Board)

"HAPPY HOUR"

DENBIGH DAY FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 16th

We as a Lodge will participate in this local community event. We will have a booth with Drug Literature, coloring books, crayons & "ELROY".

FEATURING
The ELKS Drug
Awareness Mascot
"ELROY"



BPOE officially means the Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks — but some think it also stands for the Best People On Earth!!

ALL YOU CAN EAT BUFFET
Breakfast

Sunday, September 17th - 8:00 to 11:00

Scrambled Eggs - Bacon - Sausage - SO\$ on Biscuit
Home Fried Potatoes - Fruit Bowl
Toast - French Toast - Beans & Coffee or Tea

\$ 8.00 * Sponsored by the Home Club House Committee

NOTICE:

The Southeastern District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler will host his Clinic on September 10th at the Portsmouth-Chesapeake Lodge # 82. All Elks are invited to attend; However, the ER, Secretary, Leading Knight & Chairman of the Board of Trustees are required to attend. Contact the Lodge Secretary for more information.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. Miller Lite beer is made by what company ?
2. When referring to wine, Chambre means what ?
3. A carbonade is a dish that must contain what ?
4. If you Scrutinize Swirl, Sniff and Sip, what are you doing ?
5. In second place behind California, what state makes the most wine ?
6. There are 33 words on the back of a bottle of what brand of beer ?

(Answers on page 8)

9th ANNUAL SALUTE to VETERANS DINNER

"MELINDA'S CAUSE"



Saturday, September 23rd
4:00 to 8:00 PM

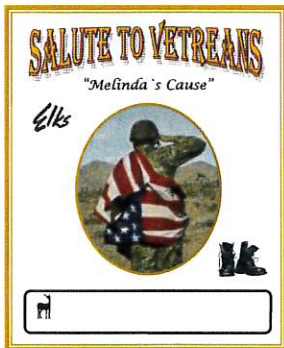
MENU

Art's Famous Ribs
Potato Salad, Baked Beans
Dessert

Raffles & Prizes

\$12.50 DONATION
ALL PROCEEDS to SUPPORT LOCAL VETERANS.
 Sponsored by the Activities Committee

This year in addition to a wonderful dinner the Committee will be selling small banners (Pictured Below) for members to purchase for \$1.00 each. Buy one, sign your name on it and they will be posted in the Lodge so all can see your support for our Veterans Programs, plus you may win a prize too. Please buy 1, 2, 3, 5 or more they cost less than the price of 1/2 a beer!



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

NEWPORT NEWS ELKS LODGE # 315 ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2017

Deadline for registration is September 4, 2017

8:30 AM SHOTGUN START
 Check-in starting at 7:30 AM
 at

The Hamptons Golf Course
320 Butler Farm Road, Hampton, VA

Be a Hole Sponsor! \$100 per hole promotes your business in this charitable event (Checks payable to Newport News Elks #315) You can also sponsor Closest to the Pin, or Longest Drive!

Each sponsor will have a sign on a hole & receive recognition at the club luncheon.
 Any questions or for entry confirmation call:

Chris McComas (757) 592-0895 or Timmy Means (757) 947-8196

Mulligans Available for \$5 Each,
 Pay at Registration Table

LUNCH & PRIZES AT THE ELKS LODGE
"19th Hole" AFTER THE TOURNAMENT

ALL PROFITS GO TO ELK'S COMMUNITY, YOUTH, VETERANS & OTHER CHARITY PROGRAMS

Form your team now! Registration forms are available from the Bar tender.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

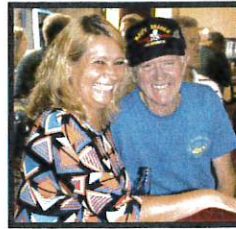
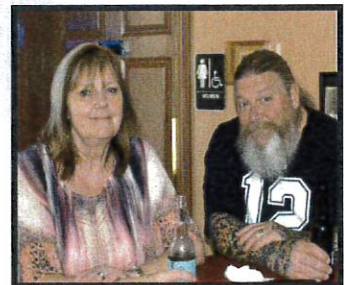
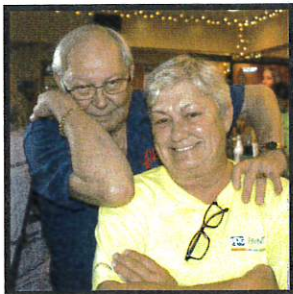
STATUS as of August 25, 2017)

Starting Membership Lodge Year 2917-2018	165
Initiated 8	+ 8
Died (-1), Demit (-1), Transferred (-2), Resigned (-1)	- 5
Delinquent in dues (-15)	- 15
Net Current Total of Members in Good Standing	153



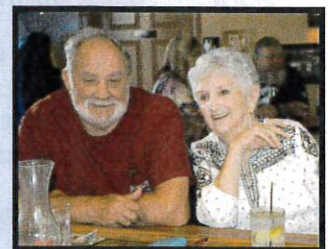
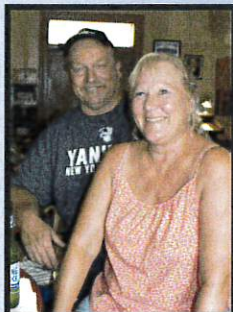
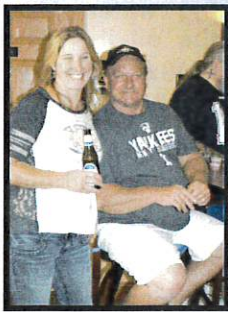
MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19th



MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY

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The Umbrella - A Touching Story...



On a rainy afternoon, a group of protesters were gathered outside the grocery store handing out pamphlets on the evils of America. I politely declined to take one.

There was an elderly woman behind me and a young (20-ish) female protester offered her a pamphlet, which she also politely declined. The young protester put her hand on the old woman's shoulder pushing her backwards and in a patronizing voice said, "Don't you care about the children of Iraq?"

The old woman looked up at her and said: "Honey, my father died in France during World War II, I lost my husband in Korea, and a son in Vietnam. All three died so a naive, ignorant, self centered bimbo like you could have the right to stand here and badmouth our country, and if you touch me again, I'll shove this umbrella up your ass and open it."



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- David E. Stepp 5th
- Matthew H. Crawford 10th
- Paul W. Ferreira 12th
- Irmhilde Woods 13th
- Winston E. Hays 18th
- Suellyn Ranalet 18th
- Michelle H. Waddell 19th
- Marcie C. Eason 21st
- Anett Geary 21st
- Scott Corbett 24th
- Ronald S. MacGregor 25th
- William H. Foster 28th
- John L. Spain 29th
- Jack LaVoie 30th



ELKs

BUMPER STICKER of the MONTH

**I'm Out of Estrogen
And I Have a Gun**



**FIND YOUR MEMBER NUMBER IN
THIS & NEWSLETTER AND
WIN A FREE BEVERAGE.
The August # was Jeff Rowe**

ANSWERS to TRIVIA QUESTIONS

- 1. Philip Morris
- 2. Serve at room temperature
- 3. Beer
- 4. Wine Tasting
- 5. New York
- 6. Rolling Rock

RECIPE of the MONTH

SPAGHETTI WITH SHRIMP AND ROASTED CHERRY TOMATOES



- 3 pt. cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 3 tablespoons chopped garlic, divided
- 4 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt, divided
- 1 pound uncooked spaghetti
- 1 pound medium-size raw shrimp, and deveined
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 1 cup loosely packed basil leaves, torn

Preheat oven to 325°F. Toss together tomatoes, crushed red pepper, 4 tablespoons of the oil, 2 tablespoons of the garlic, and 1 teaspoon of the salt in a 13- x 9-inch baking dish. Bake in preheated oven until tomatoes soften and release their juices, about 45 minutes. (You can do this step a few hours ahead of time. Let tomatoes stand at room temperature until ready to use.) Bring a large pot of water and 1 tablespoon of the salt to a boil over high. Add spaghetti, and cook until al dente, 9 to 11 minutes. Drain spaghetti, reserving 1 cup cooking water. Meanwhile, heat 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large skillet over medium. Add remaining 1 tablespoon garlic, and cook, stirring constantly, until just beginning to brown, about 1 minute. Add shrimp, and cook, stirring constantly, until shrimp begin to turn pink and are cooked through, about 2 minutes. Add reserved cooking water to shrimp mixture; reduce heat, and cook, stirring occasionally, 2 minutes. Stir in parsley. Transfer drained pasta to a large serving bowl. Add shrimp mixture, tomatoes, basil, and remaining 2 tablespoons oil and 1/2 teaspoon salt, and gently toss. Serve immediately.

FROM the NEWSLETTER EDITOR



The "ELK'S HORN" is the Official Newsletter Publication of BPOE Newport News Lodge # 315. The purpose of the Newsletter is to inform the members of Lodge activities, to publish Exalted Ruler & Officers comments, Committee Reports, notifications required by the BY-LAWS, a calendar of events, sickness and distress, and other items of interest. It is published monthly and mailed to all Lodge members without charge. Members are invited to submit pictures of Lodge events, articles, items of interest, charitable activities, notes of thanks, Lodge trivia, etc. Email — zalphandrews@cox.net Phone: (757) 879 - 3505 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 the Newsletter.*

Zalph (Andy) Andrews, Jr - Lodge Secretary & Editor

The Editor wishes to thank Michelle Rowe for helping to fold, place mailing seals, address labels and stamps for this months Newsletter.

Elks Lodge # 315 SEPTEMBER 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					1 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	2 Dinner At the Lodge 6:00 — 8:00 PM
3 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM Labor Day Picnic 2:00 — 6:00 PM	4	5 Trustee Meeting 7:00 PM	6 LODGE MEETING DDGER Visit 7:30 PM	7	8 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	9 Dinner At the Lodge 6:00 — 8:00 PM
10 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM DDGER Clinic	11 Veterans Committee Meeting 6:30 PM	12	13	14	15 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	16 Denbigh Day Festival Dinner At the Lodge 6:00 — 8:00 PM
17 Breakfast Buffet Sponsored by the House Committee 8:00 — 11:00 AM	18	19	20 LODGE MEETING 7:30 PM	21	22 Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	23 Dinner "Melinda's Cause" Veterans Fund Raiser 4:00 — 8:00 PM
24 Breakfast 8:00 — 11:00 AM	25	26	27	28	29 Annual Charity Golf Tournament Snack Special 6:00 — 9:00 PM	30 Dinner At the Lodge 6:00 — 8:00 PM

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER MENUS

SEPTEMBER 2nd Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes, Peas Roll & Dessert	SEPTEMBER 9th Spaghetti Salad, Garlic Bread Dessert	SEPTEMBER 16th Baked Chicken Baked Potato Mac & Cheese, Roll Dessert	SEPTEMBER 23rd Art's Famous Ribs Potato Salad Baked Beans Dessert	SEPTEMBER 30th Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes Salad & Roll Dessert
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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

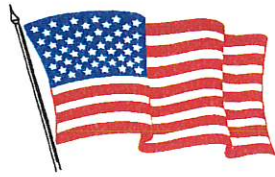
HOME CLUB HOUSE COMMITTEE

Barbara McDonald - Chairman

Jack Waddy - Ralph Simmons - Kathryn Crothers
Fred Ruscoe - Charles Alley - Robert Reid

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