



Welcome Packet

We're thrilled you'll be joining us for the largest gathering of Elks scholars—ever—the 150 for 150 Service and Celebration Weekend!

Please review this packet before you travel to San Antonio.

If you have any questions, email scholarship@elks.org or call 773/755-4732.

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These documents are available online at elks.org/scholars/150.



Friday, June 29

Attire: Casual | Location: Trinity University

****Upon arrival, check in at Beze Residence Hall****

Scholars Arrive	Ongoing	Beze Residence Hall
Lunch	12 to 1 p.m.	Mabee Dining Hall
Free Time Onsite	Until 6 p.m.	Chapman Hall/Recreational Facilities
Dinner	6 to 7:30 p.m.	Chapman Hall
150 for 150 Kickoff!	8 to 10 p.m.	Chapman Hall

If you are arriving past 6 p.m., please grab food at the airport on your way to Trinity

Saturday, June 30

Attire: 150 for 150 t-shirt, jeans (no rips), capris or knee-length shorts, closed-toe shoes (no short shorts or leggings)

Locations: Trinity University and Haven for Hope

Breakfast	7 to 8 a.m.	Mabee Dining Hall
Load Buses	8:15 a.m.	Outside Mabee Dining Hall
Elks Scholar Service Day	9 a.m. to 3 p.m.	Haven for Hope
Free Time Onsite	3:30 to 6 p.m.	Chapman Hall/Recreational Facilities/Dorms
Dinner	6 to 7:30 p.m.	Chapman Hall
Evening Programming	8 to 10 p.m.	Chapman Hall

Sunday, July 1

Attire: 150 for 150 t-shirt, jeans (no rips/no shorts or leggings), closed-toe shoes

Locations: Trinity University and Convention Center

Breakfast	7:30 to 8:30 a.m.	Mabee Dining Hall
Load Buses	8:45 a.m.	Outside Mabee Dining Hall
Pack 5,000 Hygiene Kits for Local Veterans	10 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Exhibit Hall - Service with Elks-
Lunch	12:30 to 2 p.m.	Room 221
Scholar Network Extravaganza	2 to 3:15 p.m.	Room 221
Opening Ceremonies	3:30 to 6 p.m.	Exhibit Halls 1 & 2
Elks 150 th Anniversary Celebration Dinner	6 to 9 p.m.	Exhibit Halls 1 & 2
Closing Activities	9 to 10 p.m.	Room 221

All times and locations subject to change

Monday, July 2

Attire: Casual | Location: Trinity University

Scholars Depart	Ongoing	
Check Out	Before 8 a.m.	Beze Residence Hall
Check Out	At or after 8 a.m.	Chapman Hall
Breakfast	7:30 to 9:30 a.m.	Mabee Dining Hall
All students must depart Trinity University Campus	By 11 a.m.	

Expectations and Policies

During the weekend, please remember that you represent all Elks scholars and you are expected to abide by the rules set forth for the 150 for 150 Service and Celebration Weekend.

These expectations are based on Elks National Foundation and Trinity University policies.



We have a contract with Trinity University and have agreed to abide by their policies. **Under no circumstances should males be in female rooms or females be in male rooms.** Please do not go onto a resident floor designated for the opposite gender.



You may not leave the service sites, Convention Center, or Trinity University except for activities outlined by the Elks National Foundation. **Scholars must attend all 150 for 150 functions and activities and cannot depart from the schedule.**



No tobacco or smoking is allowed.

Using, possessing, or being under the influence of alcohol during service and activities is prohibited, even if you are of age. Alcohol and drugs are not allowed on campus.

If you're of age (21 years old) and alcohol is present at the Elks' 150th anniversary celebration, please limit consumption to two (2) drinks.



Quiet Hours—Scholars must be mindful of other Trinity guests and respect quiet hours. **You must be in your residence hall by 11 p.m. each night. Across campus, lights must be out no later than midnight.**

Failure to adhere to the rules may result in immediate dispatching of scholar and any additional expenses incurred will be the scholar's responsibility.

To Keep in Mind:

- Tuck the Tech—Cell phones are not to be used during service to ensure safety.
- Trash—You are responsible for taking trash to the designated trash room within your residence hall. Please take it out prior to departure.
- Key Fee—It's \$50 to replace a room key. **If you lose your key, you will be responsible for paying to replace the key.**
- #ElksFamily—We encourage you to use your own social media to post about the ENF and the Elks. If you do post about your time on the trip, please use tact.

Packing List

1. Toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant
2. Shower shoes (flip-flops)
3. Clothes for service
 - a. Jeans (no rips) or capris or knee-length shorts (no short shorts or leggings)
 - b. We will provide you with two 150 for 150 t-shirts (one for Saturday, one for Sunday)
 - c. Closed-toe shoes
4. Clothes for after service
 - a. Comfortable clothes
 - b. T-shirts and pants
5. Clothes for Sunday
 - a. Jeans (no rips)
 - b. We will provide you with two 150 for 150 t-shirts (one for Saturday, one for Sunday)
 - c. Closed-toe shoes
6. Pajamas
7. Any necessary prescription medications (must have original prescription labels)

Feel free to bring:

8. A camera
9. A journal
10. Ear plugs if you are a light sleeper
11. Cell phone/charger
12. A bathing suit if you'd like to swim at Trinity University during free time. Also bring a cover-up or clothes to wear over your swimsuit when walking around campus.



Trinity University will provide towels and bedding.



What **not** to bring:

1. Valuable items such as jewelry or a laptop

Flight Information



AIRLINE TICKETS

You received an electronic ticket confirmation/travel itinerary via email either from the ENF or Gant Travel.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

- Pack valuables, medication, and cameras in your carry-on baggage.
- **We recommend you only travel with carry-on baggage to avoid baggage fees.**
- **Airlines restrict travelers to one carry-on bag, plus one additional personal item,** such as a laptop computer, briefcase, purse, small backpack or camera case. Remember the 3-1-1 rule for carry-on. 3 ounce bottle or less: 1 quart-sized, clear, plastic, zip-top bag per passenger placed in the screening bin. One-quart bag per person limits the total liquid volume each traveler can bring. Visit the TSA website for additional details www.tsa.gov.
- Official photo ID's are mandatory for flying. Your name on the electronic ticket confirmation must match your photo ID. Passengers are required to show a U.S. federal or state-issued photo ID in order to be allowed to go through the checkpoint and onto their flight.



DEPARTURE CHECKLIST

NOTE: Most airlines allow you to check-in online and print your boarding pass up to 24 hours prior to your scheduled flight time. You will need your airline confirmation number which is printed on your itinerary.

- It is possible airlines may change flight numbers and/or departure times after your ticket has been sent to you. Check with the airline 24 hours before your flight.
- The day PRIOR to your departure, visit the airline website to check-in and view your itinerary and seat assignments.
- Plan to arrive at the airport **TWO AND ONE HALF HOURS PRIOR** to your flight's scheduled departure with your government issued photo ID. **Please allow extra time to check-in and proceed through security screening.**

BAD WEATHER OR FLIGHT CANCELLATION

- If your flight is cancelled, please continue to the airport and allow the airline to properly book you on an alternate flight. If the airline is unable to re-book you on a flight, please contact: Makenna Cannon (262/442-1581) or Maryann Dernlan (732/742-3383) or Jenna Johnson (520/282-0207) for assistance.

ARRIVAL INTO SAN ANTONIO AIRPORT

- Proceed through the airport toward the baggage claim area, even if you did not check a bag. If you checked luggage, retrieve your bag.
- More information regarding transportation to Trinity University from the airport forthcoming. Transportation will be run through **Super Shuttle**.



Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: Where are we staying?

A: We're staying in dorms at Trinity University in San Antonio.

2. Q: Who will I room with?

A: You'll stay with other Elks scholars of the same gender who are from your area. Hopefully, you'll be able to stay connected beyond your weekend in San Antonio!

3. Q: How much will the trip cost me?

A: You only need to pay a \$50 participant fee. If you can contribute more or would like to fundraise more than \$50, you'll help to offset the costs of the program.

4. Q: Do I need to bring extra money with me?

A: All of your lodging and meals will be covered by the ENF. But, it's always a good idea to have some cash and a credit card (if you have one) on you as you travel. We suggest bringing between \$20-\$100, but not more.

5. Q: What should I pack?

A: Please see the suggested packing list at elks.org/scholars/150 or on page 4 of the Welcome Packet.

6. Q: What will we do?

A: On Friday, scholars will arrive throughout the day. We'll kick things off with welcome programming in the evening. On Saturday, we'll serve in San Antonio at the largest Elks scholar service event, **ever**. We'll be partnering with [Haven for Hope](#) and serving individuals experiencing homelessness throughout the San Antonio area. On Sunday, you'll get to meet Elks from across the country and serve together at the Elks National Convention. We'll be a part of the Elks National Convention Opening Ceremonies, and then celebrate the Elks' 150th Anniversary that evening. On Monday, everyone will depart with memories to last a lifetime. See the Schedule of Events at elks.org/scholars/150 or on page 2 of the Welcome Packet.

7. Q: What do you mean by programming?

A: You'll meet and connect with the other Elks scholars in attendance through a variety of activities that will enhance your understanding of #ElksFamily.



8. Q: What can we do in our free time?

A: While there won't be an abundance of free time during the weekend, there will be activities available onsite like volleyball, tennis, basketball and swimming.

9. Q: What do I do once I land in San Antonio?

A: Please refer to the Flight Information Document at elks.org/scholars/150 or on page 5 of the Welcome Packet.

Once you're at Trinity University, check in with ENF staff to get your room assignment and t-shirts in the Beze Residence Hall. There will be signs pointing you in the right direction.

10.Q: How will I get back to the airport on Monday, July 2?

A: The final shuttle leaves for the airport at 11 a.m. from Trinity University. You will receive your departure time for Monday, July 2 upon check-in on Friday, June 29.

Departure beyond 11 a.m. from Trinity University is the responsibility of the scholar. All scholars must depart the Trinity University campus by 11 a.m. on Monday, July 2.

11.Q: Can we drink during events or in our free time?

A: Using, possessing, or being under the influence of alcohol during service and activities is prohibited, even if you are of age. Participating in this kind of activity will take away from your experience during the weekend. Alcohol and drugs are not allowed on the campus we're staying at in San Antonio. If you're of age, and alcohol is present at the Elks' 150th anniversary celebration, we ask that you limit your consumption to two (2) drinks. Using, possessing, or being under the influence of illegal drugs, during events and activities is strictly prohibited.

12. Q: What if I have issues with my flight or my parents/guardians need a contact at the ENF during the weekend?

A: If your flight is cancelled, please continue to the airport and allow the airline to properly book you on an alternate flight. If the airline is unable to re-book you on a flight, please contact: Makenna Cannon (262/442-1581) or Maryann Dernlan (732/742-3383) or Jenna Johnson (520/282-0207) for assistance.

You can provide the above contacts to your parents/guardians, as well.



Elks and Convention Overview

1. Who are the Elks?

The Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks (B.P.O.E) is a fraternal service organization with nearly 1900 Lodges and nearly 800,000 members across the country.

The B.P.O.E was founded in 1868, so 2018 is the 150th anniversary of the Elks. To honor this momentous occasion, we are bringing together 150 Elks scholars to celebrate through service.

In order to join the Elks you must be 21 years old, be an American citizen and profess a belief in God.

2. What is the Elks National Foundation?

The Elks National Foundation (ENF) is the charitable arm of the Elks organization. The ENF's mission is to build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We provide tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills; meet the needs of today's veterans; help the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives; and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

3. What's the Elks National Convention?

The Elks National Convention is a time when Elks members from across the country come together.

Each Lodge sends their president (known as Exalted Ruler within the Elks) to the Convention.

The Convention officially starts on Sunday, July 1 and runs through Wednesday, July 4.

4. What's your role in the Convention?

On Sunday, July 2 you'll get to serve alongside Elks members when we pack 5,000 hygiene kits for local veterans experiencing homelessness.

Sunday evening we'll be a part of the official Opening Ceremonies for the Convention.

Opening Ceremonies is a time for Elks members to hear reports about major program updates from the past year.

5. Are you an Elks member because you have an Elks scholarship?

The short answer is no, not yet! You are a part of the Elks family, but until you officially fill out an application to become an Elks member, have someone sponsor your membership at a Lodge and are initiated, you're not an Elks member. If you're 21 and interested in joining, please email scholarship@elks.org and we can help you get connected to a local Lodge!