

Elks Round-Up

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Hello to all my fellow Elks,

Terry and I would like to wish you a joyful New Year. Our New Year's Eve party is an excellent way to end this year. Congratulations to Pete and Carmen Vasquez for getting married in our lounge just after midnight. It's an honor to be a part of such a glorious part of their love story.

We have achieved many of our lodge goals, accomplishments, improvements, successful events this year. Giving back to the Veterans as

well as low-income families with children are just two on our long list.

I look forward to another challenging and exciting year at our Lodge. We cannot do all this without the hard work of our officers, committee chairs, and volunteer members. With that being said, on January 17th and 18th we will have a visit from our TESA President-Elect, Matt Williams, and his wife Rachelle. Our Lodge will host our 2024-2025 Vice President's Clinic and Inter-Lodge

**PLEASE SEE ER, PG 4***Kingsville Elks Lodge #1926***Tickets 1-\$1, 6-\$5, 15-\$10**

From the Lodge Sweetheart, Michele Cummins

It has been an amazing Sweetheart year so far and it's not over yet! We are doing our Queen of Hearts drawing every Friday at 8pm. We're drawing TWO tickets each week and no one has gotten the Suicide King yet! It's an instant winner! The pot keeps growing! At last draw in December, it's just under \$1,000 to the one lucky enough to draw the Queen of Hearts!

We have a few raffles coming up - be sure to watch for those. Plus - I have brand new (& hungry) Red Pigs looking waiting to be filled!

LODGE MEETINGS SCHEDULES

LODGE MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Last Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

PER ASSOCIATION

Quarterly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:30 PM.
January, April, July, and October.

**ALL MEMBERS ARE
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

LOUNGE HOURS

MONDAY	3 - 9 PM
TUESDAY	3 - 9 PM
WEDNESDAY	3 - 9 PM
THURSDAY	3 - 9 PM
FRIDAY	3 - 9 PM
SATURDAY	3 - 7 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

2024/2025 Officers

Exalted Ruler.....Krystal Peterson
 Leading Knight.....Jesse Battle
 Loyal Knight.....Ted Figueroa
 Lecturing Knight.....Duffy Cummins
 Secretary.....Idotha Battle
 Treasurer.....Cindi Ray
 Tiler.....Thomas Morgan
 Esquire.....Al Lewis
 Chaplain.....
 Inner Guard.....Zola Johnson
 Presiding Justice.....Nathan Fugate

Board of Directors

Exalted Ruler.....Krystal Peterson
 Leading Knight.....Jesse Battle
 Loyal Knight.....Ted Figueroa
 Lecturing Knight.....Duffy Cummins
 5 Year Trustee.....Roy Medina
 4 Year Trustee.....Lena Core
 3 Year Trustee.....Jessica "Red" Myers
 2 Year Trustee.....Sara Robertson
 1 Year Trustee.....J. Dean Craig

Have an announcement,
picture, article, etc?
Submit by the 20th to
bpoe1926bulletin@gmail.com

COMMITTEES

<i>Accident Prevention</i>	J Dean Craig, PER
<i>Americanism</i>	Sam Fugate, PER
<i>Auditing</i>	Vacant
<i>Bulletin</i>	Cindi Ray
<i>Cyber Assistant</i>	Tony Deel
<i>Drug Awareness</i>	Zola Johnson
<i>ENF</i>	Carmen Llacuna
<i>Flag Day</i>	Rolando Garza
<i>Hoop Shoot</i>	Ken Moses, PDDGER
<i>House Committee</i>	Michele Cummins
<i>Membership</i>	Duffy Cummins
<i>Memorial Service</i>	Krystal Peterson
<i>PER Association</i>	Sara Robertson, PER
<i>Public Relations</i>	Vacant
<i>Veteran Services</i>	Frank Evans
<i>Youth Activities</i>	Ken Moses, PDDGER

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Please keep your fellow Elks and Elk Family in your thoughts and prayers.

Chuck Ellis

Jim Stell

Melissa Woodruff

If you know or hear of an Elk or family member who is ill or has passed away, please notify us by leaving a note with the Lodge Attendant or emailing bpoe1926bulletin@gmail.com.



**Current
Membership:
188**



01 Rene Bazan
01 Sherry Hahn
01 Nancy Holliday
02 Thomas Denney
05 Colin Karnath
05 Terry Lawson
07 Mark Brown
08 Michael Desiderio
11 Anthony Postert
12 Gary Rankin
13 Janet Cave
13 Steve Dietz
15 Israel Mendiola
18 Kenneth Haass
18 Kay Lawson
18 Jim Sears
18 Kenneth Yandell
20 James Glusing
29 Scott Burris
30 Toby Mathews



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Happy New Year!

from

J. Dean & Michelle

Craig



THANK YOU!

ER, FROM PG 1

Clinic on Saturday, January 18th. All members are encouraged to come out and meet our Special Guest. We will have entertainment for both evenings as well as some good food.

There are only about 3 months left in the Elk Year and I want to encourage members who are interested in a lodge administration role to step up and help lead the lodge. Reach out to me if you are interested in a role, there is always something you can help out with.

In closing, remember this is your Lodge, use it, support it, and finally promote it. Happy 2025 to all!

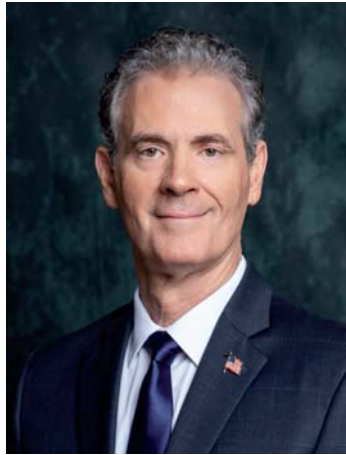
*Fraternally yours,
Krystal Peterson
Exalted Ruler*



New Year begins, but Elks year ends soon

Happy 2025 to all our Elks family! Julia and I want to wish you and your families a healthy and happy new year.

January is the beginning of the last quarter of the Lodge year. Be sure to have your membership retention and arrears program ready to work on having a +1 membership gain for 2025! Have your committee reach out to delinquent Members. This personal contact could very well bring these Members back into our folds.



Message
from the
Grand
Exalted
Ruler
Douglas
A.
Schiefer

While we have so many Members who are active and going beyond the call of duty, we unfortunately have those who are delinquent in membership. We need to look over the

lapsation list. Our delinquent Members had a reason for joining and they are worth keeping as active Members. Find out what you can do to improve this. Think of the missed opportunities that these delinquent Members could have had in making a legacy of service.

As we begin 2025, Lodges need to be focusing on several aspects: Our Members and membership, our Lodges and improvements, and our recog-

PLEASE SEE GER, PG 7

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

RING IN THE NEW YEAR
WITH US!

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE!

WE'RE DOING IT UP POTLUCK STYLE! BRING YOUR
FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE AND JOIN US IN
TOASTING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH OUR FRIENDS AND
FAMILY!

PLUS - TWO OF OUR OWN ARE GETTING MARRIED!
COME HELP PETER AND CARMEN CELEBRATE!

31 DECEMBER 2024

1404 S 6TH STREET - KINGSVILLE TX 78363



HOUSE RULES :

1. Hours of operation: Published in the bulletin
2. The lounge is nonsmoking.
3. The Lounge rooms are closed to everyone during regular Lodge Sessions, except for the Elks Auxiliary, for their meetings only, during the funeral Services for a member, or during Special Ritual Services such As Flag Day or Memorial Day
4. The Lounge Rooms are available to:
 1. All local and visiting Elks in good standing. (Inactive Elks, i.e. those holding Absolute Demits, those having been dropped for non-payment of dues, or those not currently paid up are NEVER allowed in the Lounge under any circumstances Except that delinquent members may be admitted for the purpose of paying their dues.)
 2. Minor children of members when accompanied by their parents. Parents are responsible for the behavior of their children and will exercise discretion in taking their children from the premises at times when it is obviously inappropriate for children to be in attendance. Minor children are never permitted to approach or sit at the bar for service and are excluded from certain other designated areas.
 3. Guests of Elks when accompanied by a member of this Lodge. Member are responsible for their guests signing the guest register (NO EXCEPTIONS!), and for their guests' behavior. Guests must abide by all House Rules
 4. Elks' spouses, visiting Elks' spouses, and Elks' dependents or widows/widowers with identification cards issued by this lodge.
5. All persons issued key cards by this Lodge will use them to gain entrance to the Lounge in lieu of knocking, and thus taking lounge employees from their regular duties to answer the door. ONLY Officers, members of the House Committee, or the Attendant in Charge are allowed to respond to persons knocking to gain entrance.
6. Members, spouses, and dependents with identification cards may be requested to exhibit their cards to a Lodge Officer, or a member of the House Committee, or the Attendant in Charge. Visiting members must show their membership cards, sign the guest register, and observe all House Rules. At the discretion of the House Committee, visiting Elks may be given a complimentary drink.
7. Guests who are eligible for membership in the Order, but who are not spouses of members and who reside within the jurisdiction of this Lodge, can be admitted as guests occasionally, regardless of who brings them in.
8. Employees are under the direction of the House Committee. Members and Guests will neither call upon employees for services which would take them from their regular duties, nor reprimand them for any reason. Any complaints about employees must be directed to the House Committee.
9. Members of the House Committee, or in their absence, the Attendant in Charge, have the authority and /or the legal obligation to refuse service to anyone who, in their opinion, is inebriated or is creating a nuisance that interferes with the rights of other members and guests to enjoy the facilities of the Lounge, and they have the authority to insist that the offender leave the premises. Nuisance is construed to include, but not limited to, loud or profane language, or lewd and lascivious behavior.
10. Lounge business is "strictly cash". Members will settle their accounts prior to leaving the lounge on each occasion of their visits to the Lounge. Checks written for change or checks written in excess of the amount owed must be limited by the lounge's available cash, at the discretion of the Attendant in Charge, but in no case, will exceed \$50.00 in excess of purchases.
 - a. As exception to the "strictly cash" policy in rule 10 a member may establish monthly credit accounts with the lounge upon the member's advancing the sum of \$500.00 as a security deposit. Said sum must remain on deposit during the period the member wishes to maintain the credit account. In addition, the member will pay a fee of \$50.00 per month, in addition to purchases, for account maintenance.
11. Any member indebted to the Lounge or Lodge by a non-negotiable check must make restitution within 48 hours after notice or lose said member's Lounge privileges until the check is redeemed. After three non-negotiable check (proved to be the fault of the member and not the banking institution), the member loses all privileges to cash checks of any kind, the members or others. "Hold" checks are not legal tender, and will not be allowed.
12. Members or guests, under no circumstances, will be permitted to bring into the Lounge anything that is sold in the Lounge. This pertains to alcoholic beverages at all times and food when the kitchen is open and serving. Alcoholic beverages sold in the Lounge cannot be taken from the Lounge.
13. No one is allowed behind the bar, or in the kitchen, except employees, House Committee members, or volunteers authorized by the House Committee.
14. All properties of the Lounge and Lodge will remain on the premises UNLESS permission for removal is first granted by the Board of Directors of the Lodge. Members will be charged for property lost or destroyed by them or their guests.
15. Section 16.041, Statutes of the Order, authorizes action to be taken to disenfranchise a member from the Lounge for violation of House Rules. It is the duty of the House Committee to initiate such action upon observance of any willful violation of those rules.
 - a. It shall be considered "conduct unbecoming an Elk" for a member to park in a Lodge handicapped parking space without prominent display on the member's vehicle, of a bona fide handicapped parking permit. It shall be incumbent upon a member hosting guests, who have vehicles parked at the Lodge, to ensure that said guests also respect the purpose of the parking spaces. It shall likewise be considered "conduct unbecoming an Elk" for any member to utilize a handicapped parking permit for parking at this Lodge under false pretenses. "Conduct unbecoming an Elk" is further defined in the Statutes of the Order.
16. The Lounge is authorized to sell and serve alcoholic beverages under permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and is therefore mandated to comply with the statutes, rules, and regulations of the Commission. Nothing herein published, or presumed due to omission should be construed to take precedence over TABC Regulations, and should conflicts arise, the TABC regulations shall prevail.
17. Kingsville Lodge 1926 is a subordinate Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America. Nothing herein published or presumed due to omission should be construed as taking precedence over the Statutes of the Order and should conflicts arise, Statutes of the Order prevail.

GER, FROM PG 5

nition to those who have given beyond the typical role of service.

There is no better way to recognize these people who have gone beyond the call of duty in their service to Elksdom than to award them with “Elk of the Year,” “Officer of the Year,” and “Citizen of the Year.” The awards form can be accessed in CLMS2Web. They need to be submitted prior to March 31 so that the certificates can be printed and sent back to the Lodges for Officer installations. As an Exalted Ruler, you have an opportunity to recognize those Members who are

doing everything without even being asked.

Speaking of legacy, the Legacy Award scholarship is available until February 3, 2025. It provides \$4,000 scholarships to the children and grandchildren of Elks Members. Use the membership of Elksdom to pay it forward to help your children and grandchildren.

The end of year will be here before you know it. With the FRS system, your Lodge just needs to ensure all entries are current. The nice thing about the FRS system is your Lodge no longer needs to have the annual audit completed. However, you still must submit

your 990 and 990T for each corporation in your Lodge. Have them completed by a qualified individual (e.g., CPA) and filed with the IRS and uploaded on Elks.org. Elksdom’s Heart for America means looking for ways to recognize the value of our Members, membership, and the value of looking forward to the future. Keep up the good work you are doing in your Lodge and community. I want you to know how much I appreciate all that you are doing for Elksdom. God bless you and God bless America.

Momentum builds for continued membership

By Rick Gathen
Membership Marketing Manager

Last year, we achieved an impressive net gain of 14,676 Members, marking three consecutive years of growth. This success fuels our challenge to “Soar with Four in 2024–2025,” as we strive for even greater heights.

As we enter the final stretch of the Lodge year, with official numbers to be recorded on May 31, our projections show an addition of 90,000 new Members to the rolls this fraternal year. However, sustainable growth hinges on one critical factor: membership retention.

Every new and retained Member contributes to Elksdom’s story of resilience and purpose. Our actions today will shape the future of 2024–2025. Let’s seize this moment, initiate new Members with urgency, and create a future we’re all proud of—

together.

This year presents unique challenges, including the devastating impact of two hurricanes on the southeastern United States. Yet, our collective resilience and the support of the Membership and Marketing Department provide the tools to rise above these obstacles. Resources like the join.elks.org website continue to inspire prospective Members, offering guidance on how to join and showcasing the many rewards of being an Elk.

To ensure success, remember to initiate all candidates by March 31, 2025. Together, we can turn this momentum into another remarkable year for the Elks.

As the writer Charles Caleb Colton said, “Nothing is so contagious as enthusiasm.” Let’s harness that spirit to grow Elksdom like never before.

All Gas. No Brakes!

Kingsville Hoop Shoot 2024-2025



Thank you

Volunteers & Participants

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**From
the
House
Com-
mittee**



healthy, and enjoying all that life has to offer.

This month we have an amazing Guest Chef line up - check the calendar for details. On the 18th of January, our lodge will host the District Interlodge meeting. This will be a full day of announcements and activities, you'll surely enjoy hanging out with Elks from around the district. I encourage all to come out and join us!

We are always looking for guest chefs to join our lineup! Come on out and show off your signature dish.

See you around the lodge!

Happy New Year all! I hope everyone had an amazing holiday season. As we come into the New Year, I want to thank everyone for their support of our activities in 2024. As we move into 2025, I hope to see you all happy,



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We Thank you for supporting the Good
we do for
our Youth, our Veterans and our community.

Thank you So Very Much