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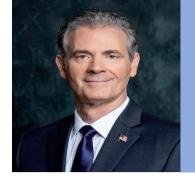


We have spent the last 2 months visiting the other 8 lodges in the District and what a great way to finish up this year's District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler's visits at my home lodge of Grapevine. Thank you tremendously to the officers and members of Grapevine for the hospitality and great meal for my team and I. Pictured from left to right: Larry Wilson, PER Cleburne Lodge 811, District Esquire, Marcus McCrary, PER Grapevine 2483, District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Ken French, PER Wichita Falls 1105, District Auditor, Bobby Bowen, PER Grapevine 2483.





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# Message from Grand Exalted Ruler Douglas A Schiefer

#### November begins the season of caring and sharing

The Order of the Elks has designated November as Veterans Remembrance Month, the month of Veterans Day. Every Elk should know our solemn pledge of "So long as there are veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."

Veterans are our heroes!

Please find a way to honor veterans in your Lodge and in your community. Some ways to say you care would be by hosting a veterans' dinner at your Local Lodge, distributing care packages, and attending local events that coincide with your community's recognition of veterans. Remember, our organization led the way in 1917 to fund and later establish the first veterans' hospital.

Thank you to all the state and Lodge veterans chairpersons and the volunteers who help make our program for our veterans a priority and success.

Speaking of recognizing other important people, it's time to make sure the youth in your local schools are getting the essay contest information they need. Their essays should be submitted for judging by December 15.

November also marks the need to be active citizens by voting in the election, always held the first Tuesday of the month during November.

Thanksgiving is the hallmark of the month, a time for families to come together and fellowship and give thanks to God. I wish you and your loved ones a blessed holiday season as you show "Flkdom's Heart For America."



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# North Central District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Marcus L. McCrary, Jr.

Hello Elks, I hope everything is going well with your family, your lodge and you.

Summer has come to an end and it has been one of the busiest of my life and yet here again I find myself packing for the next great Elks' adventure to Fall Conference in Clear Lake, Texas and look forward to seeing you all there this weekend.

Since my last letter, Karen, Ryan and I attended one of the best Elks fundraisers I have ever been to which was held at the Wichita Falls Lodge #1105, who brought in a Dueling Piano show and wow what a production. Hope everyone gets a chance to attend this next time they do it. If you have never seen a Dueling Piano show, it is 2 piano players that sing, and the audience is fully involved.

Your district team and I have finished up 3 more lodges with our visits, Arlington #2114, Stephenville #2834 and Breckenridge #1480. The Breckenridge Lodge has definitely stepped up their game for community involvement, literally. They purchased a large projection TV and screen and now are open for football every Sunday to increase membership. Stephenville is working hard to secure a new location on the edge of town and get their liquor license and ready to grow. The Arlington Lodge is still heavily involved in their town and with the Boy Scouts They outdid themselves and really put on a spectacular District Deputy visit meal, prepared by their own Chef Eddie and team. They provided a smoked salmon and shrimp appetizer, followed by an awesome salad in a homemade dressing made in its own edible baked cheese bowl followed by a scrumptious creation I have never had, Chicken Bourguignonne, which is a handmade baked pastry stuffed with chicken. Thanks to all the lodges for their hospitality shown to us and we truly enjoy visiting other lodges and members.

We have the next Interlodge, which will be the Vice-Presidents Clinic at the Temple Lodge #138 in January 11 -12, 2025. Make your reservations now. I know Temple is working to make it a lot of fun.

And as Grand Exalted Ruler Schiefer says

"Remember "Elks Care – Elks Share" by showing "Elkdom's Heart for America." God bless you all, God bless our troops, and God bless America!"

I Look forward to seeing each of you soon and thanks for what you do to make your lodge and Elks better.

Fraternally,

Marcus L. McCrary, Jr

Marcus L. McCrary, Jr., NC DDGER 2024-2025



# North Central District Vice-President Karen McCrary

Greetings North Central District,

Fall Conference in Clear Lake is coming up very soon. I hope you have booked your hotel reservations and looked over the agenda that was sent out. TESA President Renae Oswalt and her Committee Chairs have some great sessions planned for that weekend. Remember to bring your Elks National Foundations motorcycle tickets and monies to turn in before Saturday. One lucky winner will be drawn Saturday night on October 26th . And don't forget to wear your 80s attire!

Let's get those lodge Hoop Shoots scheduled! Hoop Shoot Chair Keith Stanley just sent an email regarding how important it is to get those on the calendar. If you need help in any way please contact him. One of our TESA President's goals is for every District to have 100% participation. North Central District often leads the way as a whole – let's keep that momentum going.

Homecoming was a great weekend for showcasing the Lodge Sweethearts once again! It was awesome to see lots of new faces as well as other friends from across our great state. The creativity in Elk merchandise and auction items never ceases to amaze me.

Remember -TESA President Renae Oswalt's motto for the year is this: ELKS – Ordinary People Choosing to Do Extraordinary Things.

Fraternally, Karen McCrary NCD VP 2024-25



### LODGE ENTERTAINMENT



#### Linda Morrissey Chairman 2024-2025

GRAPEVINE ELKS FRIDAY
ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

Nov 1 – Trinity River Ramblers

Nov 8 - Sweatin Bullets

Nov 15 – Billy Keeble

Nov 22 - Backbeats

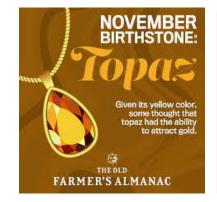
Nov 29 - Eric Popiel Karaoke DJ





Karaoke Every Thursday Night @ 7:00PM with Scott Moore
Burger Baskets Available - \$7 Hamburger & \$7.50
Cheeseburger
Made with 1/3 lb ground Angus
Beef patties and served
with pickles, onions, lettuce and tomatoes on a toasted butter bun.

Double meat extra but available upon request.



# NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



01 01 02 03	Fergeson, Ron Kolanek, Mike Hauske, Jerry Burkland, Brian	18 18 19 20 20	Glenn, David M Noyola, Paul Ziegenhagen, Dale Meyer, Sandy Young, Catherine
05 06 07 07 08 09 09	Minton, Tracy Kaiser, Pamela Clark, Shan Moffat, Nancy Wade, Sherry Almodovar, Luis Rich, David Rush, Steven	21 21 22 23 24 24 24 24	Benton, Edward Chambers, Jeffrey M Keener, Brenda Joyce Wood, Joe Don Ertz, Fredrick L Krumwiede, Jerry D Preston, Rebecca J Turner, Patricia
09 10 11	Seifert, Michael A Dixon, Shaunda Chillingworth, Jeremy M	25 25 25 26 26	Evenson, Paula A Martin, Gary Queen, Jerri Brachey, Andrew Richter, Scott
11 11 11 12 13	Golseth, Maria Svoboda, Barbara J Tamplen, Donnie Amburgy, Darla Kleckner, Danny Joe	28 30 30	Smith, Bibiana Butler, Ford Kelley, Kevin
14 14 14 15 15 15	Mills, Melissa Radaford, John Smith, Jerry Brady, Jeffery John Moore, Scott Young, Joseph A Crenshaw, Lee Ann	30	Pierce, Charles
17 17	Weinberger, Daniel Wilcox, Donna		

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT VOLUNTEERS FOR MEALS

2024-2025 OFFICER WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL AND DRAWING TABLE							
WEDNESDAY	Meal Type	Officer/Group	Name	50/50/ Drawing/BOD	Name		
20/00/21	T.E.N.	I End	crop cromom	211 1140100	mace mornionolas		
11/06/24	Sweetheart	Sweetheart		Secretary			
11/13/24	ENF	ENF		Treasurer	JoAnn Maddux		
11/20/24	Officer	Esquire	Cathy Benton	Exalted Ruler	Bobby Bowen		
11/27/24		Thanksgiving Day -Eve Pizza & Salad Night	*	1Yr Trustee	Shaunda Dixon		
12/04/24	Sweetheart	Sweetheart		Loyal Knight	Nicole Knight		
12/11/24	ENF	ENF		Lecturing Knight	Bill Philipbar		
12/18/24	Officer	Exalted Ruler Egg Nog	<b>Bobby Bowen</b>	5 Yr Trustee	Penny Wharton		
12/25/24	CHRISTMAS DAY			4 Yr Trustee	Diana Broadhurst		
01/01/25	Sweetheart	New Years Day?		3 Yr Trustee	Karen McCrary		
01/08/25	ENF	ENF		2 Yr Trustee	Ed Benton		
01/15/25	Officer	Chaplain	Raymond Bailey	1Yr Trustee	Matt McNicholas		
01/22/25	Veterans	Veterans		Secretary	Marcus McCrary		
01/29/25	PERS	PERS	CFS / CFC NIGHT	Treasurer	JoAnn Maddux		
02/05/25	ENF	ENF		Exalted Ruler	Bobby Bowen		
02/12/25	Sweetheart	Sweetheart		Leading Knight	Shaunda Dixon		
02/19/25	Chili Cook Off	All Officers		Loyal Knight	Nicole Knight		
02/26/25	GEC	GEC		Lecturing Knight	Bill Philipbar		
03/05/25	Sweetheart	Sweetheart (Ash Wednesday)		5 Yr Trustee	Penny Wharton		
03/12/25	ENF	ENF		4 Yr Trustee	Diana Broadhurst		
03/19/25	Officer	Inner Guard	Mike Smith	3 Yr Trustee	Karen McCrary		
03/26/25	Officer	Tiler	Linda Morrissey	2 Yr Trustee	Ed Benton		

Please Note: Effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 – Wednesday Night Meals will be \$13 per plate. Lets continue to make our meals a value for our Members. The Board asks that all meals consist of a main entrée/meat, a vegetable, a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vegetable or salad, and a bread.

We need volunteers to prepare for ENF, Sweetheart, GEC and Veterans meals. Its a lot of fun. Basically plan a meal for 40 people, try to keep the cost between \$150 or \$200 for each charity fundraiser. Committee Chairs and Officers, please notify the Weekly Events coordinator, at least 2 weeks ahead of your scheduled meal with who is cooking and what the meal will be; please so we can let the membership know as early as possible.

# **Lodge Calendar**

#### **NOVEMBER 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Lodge Hours M-Th 4-11pm Fri 4pm-12am Sat 4:00pm-12am Sun 1:00-8:00pm				FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Trinity River Ramblers	02 Lodge Open
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
Lodge Open	Lodge Open	Dart Night Texas Hold'em 4:30-6:30 PM	Sweetheart Meal TBD TBD	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Sweatin Bullets	Lodge Open
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Lodge Open	Lodge Mtg 7:00 PM Veterans	Activities Mtg Veterans Mtg 6:30 PM	ENF MEAL TBD TBD	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Billy Keeble	Lodge Open
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Lodge Open	Membership Mtg 6:00 PM House Committee Meeting 7:00 PM	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM  Grapevine Iks Meeting Charities	OFFICER MEAL NIGHT TBD TBD	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets Texas Hold'em 4:30-6:30 PM	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Backbeats	Lodge Open
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Lodge Open	Lodge Mtg 7:00 PM	Dart Night	OFFICER MEAL NIGHT TBD TBD	Thanksgiving Meal  Happy Thanksgiving	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Karaoke w/DJ	Lodge Open

# Lodge Calendar

#### **DECEMBER 2024**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01	02	03	04	05	06	07
ELKS MEMORIAL SERVICE 11:00 AM	Lodge Open	Dart Night Texas Hold'em 4:30-6:30 PM	Sweetheart Meal TBD TBD	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Trinity River Ramblers	Lodge Open
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
Lodge Open	Lodge Mtg 7:00 PM	Activities Mtg Veterans Mtg 6:30 PM  LADIES' GIFT EXCHANGE 6:30 PM	ENF MEAL TBD TBD	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Eric Popil & Dollbaby DJ & Karaoke	CHRISTMAS PARTY 7:00 PM Music: Rumble Kings
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Lodge Open	Membership Mtg 6:00 PM House Committee Meeting	Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 PM	OFFICER MEAL NIGHT EGG NOG PARTY Exalted Ruler	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets Texas Hold'em 4:30-6:30 PM	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL D-Man Band	Lodge Open
	7:00 PM	Elks Meeting Charities				
Lodge Open	Lodge Open (no Lodge meeting)	CHRISTMAS EVE Dart Night	CHRISTMAS	Karaoke w/Scott Moore Burger Baskets	FRIDAY NIGHT MEAL Monkey Love	Lodge Open
29	30	31				
Lodge Open	Lodge Open	NEW YEAR'S EVE Music: Miles Casad				

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Lodge Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays Each Month @ 7PM (Social Quarters Closed During lodge meetings.

The only people allowed in the social quarters during meetings Are non-members who are being initiated that night and their families.

Lodge Hours – Monday–Wednesday 4PM – 11:00 PM Last Call 10:45 p.m. Thursday – Saturday 4PM – Midnight Last Call 11:45 p.m. Sunday: 1pm-8pm

Non-Members and Guests must sign-in upon entry.

A full bar menu is offered at all times the lodge is open









Note - Lodge has full Bar Menu available daily -(when regular menu not being served) White Castle Cheeseburger sliders, pepperoni hot pockets, taquitos, personal pepperoni & cheese pizzas, meat and cheese plates.

#### Wednesday Night "Family Style" Dinner

Come enjoy a homecooked meal like meatloaf, spaghetti, Salisbury steaks for example which changes each week and prepared by one of our members for all of us. Meal Price \$13.

Please order your meal from the bartender & receive a meal ticket. Your order will be on your tab at the bar. The Bartender will be your cashier. Feel free to tip our staff for excellent service received. Please Bus Your Own Table

Thank you for supporting Grapevine Elks Lodge #2483

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

Thursday Night – Karaoke – Begins @ 7PM



\$7 Hamburger & \$7.50 Cheeseburger Baskets with Tater Tots. Made with 1/3 lb ground Angus Beef patties and served with pickles, onions, lettuce and tomatoes on a toasted butter bun. Double meat extra but available upon request.

#### Friday Night Dinner and Dancing

Every Friday the Grapevine Elks Lodge becomes a great place offering live entertainment including live music, dancing, or trivia. The full menu includes a delicious Ribeye Steak, Grilled Chicken, Fried or Grilled Shrimp, Tilapia and Burgers. Selection Subject to Change.

All meals include potato choice & the "BIGGEST" salad bar on



Saturday & Sunday – Special Events posted on Facebook

#### GENERAL INFORMATION





Simply stated "Our members have a lot of fun at a VERY active Lodge ...

while we are having fun; we tend to make money ...we then give that money awayto Veterans, Children with Special Needs,Scholarships, and Community Projects.

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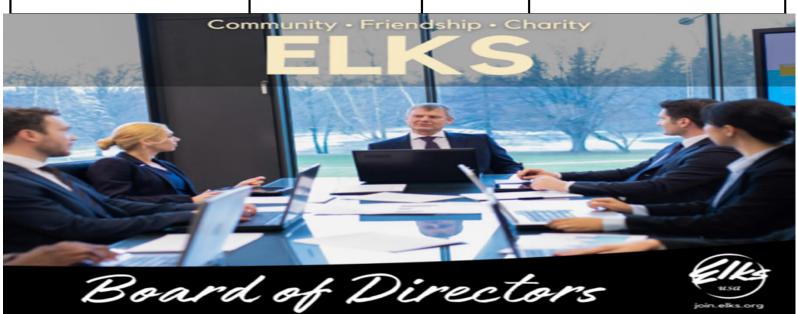
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	ESTEEMED LECTURING KNIGHT	Bill Philipbar	972.757.3718	<u>bill.philipbar@att.net</u>				
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	LODGE TREASURER	Amy Domaszek	817.946.9298	amydelks@outlook.com				
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	4 YEAR TRUSTEE	Diana Broadhurst	817.235.7648	dbroadh352@yahoo.com				
	3 YEAR TRUSTEE	Karen McCrary, PER	817.235.5221	kmccrary12@verizon.net				
	2 YEAR TRUSTEE	Ed Benton, PER	214.770.6621	edbenton21@gmail.com				
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The Grand Lodge Constitution and Statutes can be located on the Elks.Org website. Go to or click on the following link:

#### www.Elks.org

Click on "Members Only" on the red ribbon and log in. You will have to register the very first time. The Annotated Statues are located under Grand Lodge, Grand Lodge Resources, Manuals.

The Lodge By Laws and "House Rules" can be located on the Grapevine Elks website. Go to or click on the following link:

https://www.elks.org/lodges/lodgefacilities.cfm?LodgeNumber=2483

Select "Members Only" and "By-Laws" in the left hand column. Hard copies of both are available from the Lodge Secretary upon request.

For additional information, you can visit the Texas Elks website. Go to or click on the following link.

www.Texaselks.org

The Lodge is normally open Monday through Saturday at 4 pm daily and Sundays 1-8PM except for special events.

The Lodge meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, except in December, where we only have one meeting on the 2nd Monday.

I have added your email to our "Weekly Events" email as well as our monthly "Elkline" email. Please let me know if you do not receive.

Please be sure to also request to be added to the Grapevine Elks BPOE #2483 facebook page which is our most up to date notice of events.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Fraternally,

Marcus L. McCrary, Jr., PER, Elk of the Year 2023-2024 Lodge Secretary 2021-2025

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#### **ELKLINE NEWSLETTER**

Grapevine Lodge #2483 publishes a monthly newsletter called the "Elkline". This publication contains calendars, events, contact numbers and much more and is sent via email. Make sure you are on the lodge's email list. Contact the Lodge Secretary if you are not receiving.

Grapevine Elks Lodge #2483 Website https://www.elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?LodgeNumber=2483





Grapevine Elks Lodge 2483 Private Members Only Page

https://www.facebook.com/groups/GrapevineElks

All Post shall be in an Elk Manner

Every member is strongly encouraged to register immediately on the Elks.org website.





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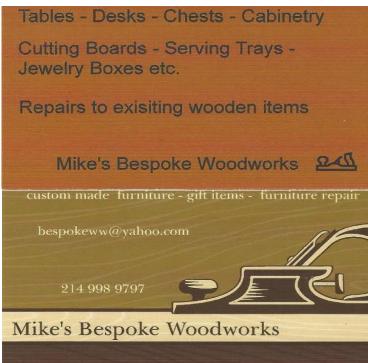
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