

THE ELKS RACK



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Elk of the Month Nominations

Just a reminder! Nominations are due by the 15th of the month. The forms are available on the “Resource Center” bulletin board, in the hallway just past the kitchen. We have so many members that make significant contributions to our Lodge... Let us make sure we recognize them!

Elk of the Month Committee (Kevin Rains, Johnathan Taylor, Rachel Kingston, and Todd Winans)



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Message From Your Exalted Ruler

Here we go again! Thank you for putting your faith in me one more time. This year my goal is going to be getting back to the basics and rebuilding. This is going to take hard work and dedication from myself, officers, committees, and members.

I plan to make sure the officers are provided with the training, tools, and resources to learn and be familiar with the statutes, bylaws, and house rules. I have reformatted the Board of Directors meetings to focus on finances, lodge issues and to work in conjunction with the Trustees on lodge maintenance. I will be requiring officers to attend monthly ritual practices. I will expect all committee chairpersons or a representative to be present at the Activity meetings. I will be holding a committee training session to provide education, tools, and resources. The deadline for bulletin articles has been moved to the 15th and will be mailed out no later than the 25th to ensure members have their bulletins before the 1st of the month.

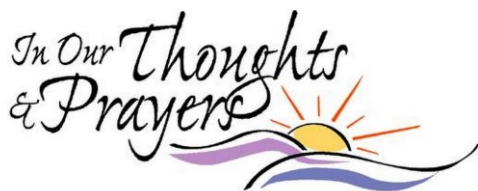
Entertainment is a key factor in having a successful lodge. Cody and Crystal have hit the ground running for what is anticipated to be a year filled with fun and fresh events for members to enjoy. The Entertainment Committee has a huge responsibility for having events that bring members into the lodge and takes more than just 2 people. If you have ideas or want to help, please get with them, and join the committee or volunteer to help with what they have planned. Most importantly, participate in as many events as possible and have FUN!

The pool is a huge responsibility and a lot of work. Thank you to Sharla for once again heading up this committee. The pool has been refurbished and has a great team of members working hard to keep it looking great and running smoothly.

There are numerous committees and I want to thank all the members who have volunteered to be chairpersons. I encourage members to join a committee and get involved! The only way our lodge can be successful is if ALL the members get involved, help with a committee, and participate in events and activities.

I pledge to you that I will be dedicated and will work hard to help get back to the basics, rebuild and make this a successful year for our Lodge.

Thank you,
Kevin Rains, ER



Sickness and Distress

Frank Stiles

Brenda Cantu

Anthony Capwell

Note from the Secretary / Editor

Thank you to everyone that has paid their dues! New membership cards have been mailed or left in the Social Quarters.

If you pay with a credit card, please make sure the bartender puts a copy of your receipt with your name on it in my mail slot. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

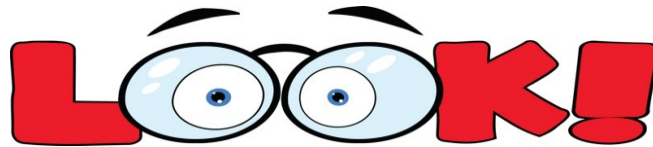
Pay online at www.elks.org/payonline

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Current Membership 307

Delinquents 0



Proposed Members

Voting April 14th

Craig Lunsford – proposed by Kevin Rains – Reinstatement

Ed Yeats – transfer from Canyon

Carrie Herrero – transfer from Canyon

Mable Bushee – transfer from Canyon

John Bushee – transfer from Canyon

Tim Parker – transfer from Canyon

Tonie Ball – proposed by Tim Parker – Canyon, Texas – employed at Retired

Veterans Committee News



Veteran Committee Meeting will be held on April 1st @ 6:00 in the dining hall.

Welcome to the New Elk Year 26/27

I'm excited to be heading up the Veterans Committee again this year and looking forward to working with the dedicated committee members to continue our mission to serve our Veterans. Our meetings are on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm, all members are welcome to join us.

Below is a list of activities for this month:

- April 11-13th South Plains Honor Flight. On the 13th join us at Lubbock Preston Smith airport to welcome our Veterans home from their trip. Every year this is a fun, heartwarming event. I will post the time on our Facebook page when it becomes available.
- April 25th. Lubbock VA 4th Annual Welcome Event at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. This is a veteran resource event with vendors providing information on various veteran services. Lunch will be provided, and everyone is welcome. We will have a table set up showing the history of the Elks working with the Veterans. Stop by and visit.
- April 27th. We will be hosting Trivia night with Ryno, and the Veterans' committee will be cooking and providing a meal. If you have not attended a trivia event, it is a lot of fun working your brain cells trying to answer his questions. Teams of 2 or four with a five dollar per person entry. Prizes for first and second place awarded.
- May 1st. We will be hosting a Burger Burn at the Lubbock VA Clinic providing free burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, and water to our veteran heroes. If you would like to volunteer or make a monetary donation to help us fund this event, please contact me.

Lee Sandlin
Veterans Chairman

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



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April begins the Elks New Year. The trustees will begin the year working with the Board of Directors on the new budget for the 26 /27 years, reviewing contracts, establishing a plan for the maintenance of the building and property, putting together a preferred contractor list, and working on projects that were not completed last year. The maintenance of the building is a huge undertaking, the lodge belongs to our members, and we encourage everyone to pitch in and help our committees. Small things like picking up litter in the parking lot, shutting off lights, making sure the thermostats are set where the units are not running in areas that are not in use will be a great help and save our lodge money.

The Trustee meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month following the Board of Directors Meeting and are open to all members. We encourage our members to attend so they can understand what being a Trustee entails.

If you have any concerns about the maintenance, like to report a safety or building hazard, please contact a trustee or bring it to our scheduled meeting.

We are looking forward to a prosperous year and would like to thank our members for trusting us to serve you.

Trustees



The Pool Committee is beginning to do some cleanup and repairs at the pool. If you have any time or expertise to offer, please do. Lee has mowed and sprayed the weeds. Hopefully this will be a good start to a nice lawn this season. I am crossing my fingers that the sprinklers work this year.

We will be taking applications for kids at least 15 years old that would like to work at the pool. If you have (or know) a teen that would be interested, get with Gindy or myself.

Pool dues can be paid beginning April 1. We are offering an early bird special of \$15 discount if the dues are paid before April 15th. After the 15th of April, pool dues will be full price.

Sharla Mathes
Pool Chairman



Meat Raffle Night is Coming to Lodge #1348



The Entertainment Committee is excited to kick off something new at the lodge, our **1st Monthly Meat Raffle Night** on **April 18th at 5:00 PM**.

If you've never been to a meat raffle, it's simple and a lot of fun:

You buy raffle tickets for each round, a number gets drawn, and if it's your ticket, you win the meat for that round. Then we do it again. Multiple rounds, multiple chances to win.

We'll be running **10 rounds total**, with a mix of \$1, \$2, and a final \$5 round featuring larger meat packages. From steaks and ribs to chicken and sausage, there will be something worth winning every round.

But this isn't just about the raffle, it's about bringing people together.

Expect:

- Cold drinks
- Good food
- A full room
- And a fast-paced, high-energy atmosphere

This is the first one, and we're planning to build it into a regular monthly event that continues to grow. Whether you're coming to win, hang out, or just see what it's all about, we'd love to have you there. Bring a friend, bring some cash, and come ready to have a good time.

Cody and Crystal Hamlett
Entertainment Chairs

ENTERTAINMENT: ELK SUMMER SERIES

The Elks Lodge #1348 Entertainment Committee is proud to kick off the Elk Summer Series: a lineup of high-energy events designed to bring people together, pack the lodge, and make this a summer to remember. From food and fun to competition and late-night pool parties, there's something for everyone.

Join us for the "Great American Lizard Race and Watermelon Festival," our monthly "Meat Raffle Nights," the "Sundown Splash Pool Party & DJ Nights," the "Smokin' Elks BBQ Showdown," the "Texas Hold'em Tournaments and the fan-favorite "Jaws & Jams Dive-In Movie Night."

Bring your friends, bring your appetite, and get ready for a summer full of great times at the lodge. Dates and times to be released later, so keep your eyes peeled on upcoming bulletins for more information.

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Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

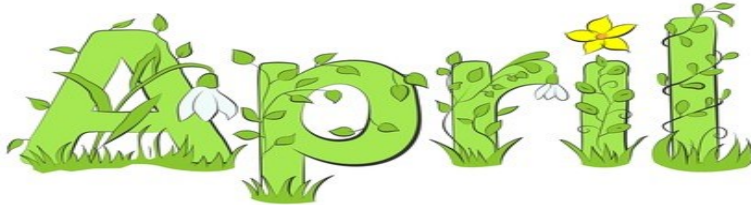
April 4th @ 10:00

If can volunteer your time, please show up. We will find a spot for you.



01 Rickey Robertson
 01 Courtney Swack
 06 Tim Lawrence
 06 Tom Wells
 07 Danny Poff
 09 Jason Capshaw-Torres
 09 Chris Jones
 11 Jeremiah Elder

16 Clay Whitley
 17 Rick Hicks
 18 Devon Osborn
 18 Grant Vaughan
 20 Justin Hyden
 22 Robert Lugo
 28 Dominique Koehler
 30 Terry Cooper



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Veterans Mtg. 6:00  Entertainment Cooking QOH - 7:00			Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 10:00 Poker Tournament 2:00
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Lodge Closed 		BOD Mtg. 6:00  BOT Mtg. 6:30	 7:00			Inter-Lodge Amarillo (Lodge Officers)
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Dining Room Lease – 2:00 (Ramos) Inter-Lodge Amarillo	Activity Mtg. 6:00 	Elks Mtg 7:00 	Staci Cooking (Scholarships) QOH - 7:00	Bulletin Articles Due	Christy Cooking (Green Chili Chicken Enchiladas)	Elk Derby 2:37  Meat Raffle 5:00
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			Bulletin Folding 5:30 Entertainment Cooking QOH - 7:00		Trivia Night 7:00 Veterans Committee Cooking	Sweetheart Brunch 11:00  (Deb/Kathy/Gindy)
26	27	28	29	30		
	 6:00	Elks Mtg 7:00 	Deb Cooking QOH - 7:00		Voting Set-up	City & School Elections

