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NEW BERN ELK

THE BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS, LODGE NO. 764

Exalted Ruler's Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I'm sure we are all looking forward to a little cool down, while hoping that summer lingers on for a while. September starts off with a bang at the Lodge, the bang of a gavel that is. East District VP Don Arsenault and his Calabash contingent are scheduled to bring the Traveling Gavel to our Lodge on the 1st. New members and members who are new to the Lodge may not have heard of the Traveling Gavel. It is an annual pilgrimage which provides an opportunity for the members of one lodge to get to see another lodge, socialize and get to know fellow Elks and have a little fun. Fred and I were former members of the East District in NY. The furthest we would have to travel to any lodge in the district was about 60 miles. Members of the Calabash Lodge would have to travel 266 miles to visit Elizabeth City, thus the Traveling Gavel. Fred and I will be taking the Gavel to Elizabeth City on the 28th. All members are invited to come along.

Is there anyone who doesn't know that our annual Golf Tournament is scheduled this month on the 12th at the Emerald Golf Club. You can still volunteer or buy a hole sign if you're not playing, though I don't think there's anyone in Craven County that Claudia Dion hasn't spoken to.

I was pleased and excited to receive a call from Crystal Odham who told me

about a coming event to honor Veterans called "Standing Watch: New Bern's America 250 Salute to Service, Sacrifice & Remembrance." She asked if members of our Lodge would want to participate in the preparation and service for the event. ABSOLUTELY! What an honor. The event is scheduled for September 26th at 3:00 at VFW Post 2514 (see the flyer included). If you would like to be included, please contact me at lmfollett@msn.com or 252-621-8640. Isn't this the type of community support you're here for?

We still have some members who haven't yet paid their dues. If you are among that number and need assistance, let us know. And I'm thinking we might want to reach out to some who might have dropped out a while back, maybe after COVID, and never became active again. Do you know of someone who might be ready to join us again. Now is always the right time to reach out.

We'll be bringing in new members at our meeting on the 15th. Come on in and make them feel welcome.

Fraternally yours,
Linda Follett, ER

Join our Facebook Page!

You can join our Facebook page by going to New Bern Elks Lodge #764 and putting in a friend request and answering the questions to join. After you are approved you can post any pictures you have of Elk events or anything pertaining to Elks. We would like more members, please join us.

Lodge of Sorrow

With sadness we announce
the passing of:

Charles Joseph Page

Elks are never forgotten.

Reminder:

There is no
Hamburger/Hot Dog
night in September.



New Bern Elk's Lodge #764
— *Annual Charity* —
GOLF TOURNAMENT

Saturday, September 12th, 2026
Emerald Golf Club
1 PM – Shotgun Start

Let's hit the course and make a difference!

Round up your crew, lace up your spikes, and get ready
for a day of big swings, big laughs, and big community
impact.

Registration

Individual Golfer: \$80
Foursome Team: \$320

Sponsorships

Gold Sponsor: \$420
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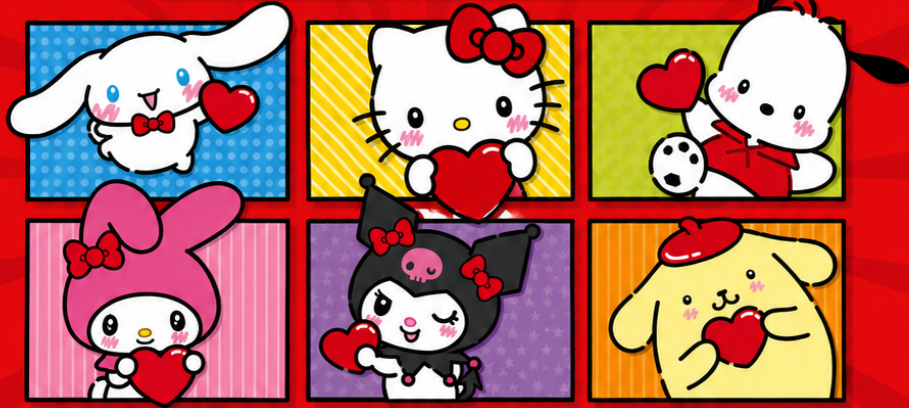
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**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026**



DOORS OPEN AT 3:00 PM



VFW POST 2514
3850 Butler Road, New Bern, NC

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Military Era Living Timeline
- ★ Historic Uniforms & Artifacts
- ★ National Anthem by Sam Lewis
- ★ Missing Man Table Ceremony
- ★ Dinner & Live Acoustic Music
- ★ 50/50 Raffle & Door Prizes

★ ★ SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ★ ★



3:00 PM Doors Open / Check-In



3:30 PM – 4:15 PM Living Timeline



4:15 PM National Anthem & Missing Man Table Ceremony



DINNER Approximately 4:45 PM



5:30 PM Live Acoustic Music

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SEPTEMBER 2026

★ CALENDAR OF EVENTS ★



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
★ NO BURGER IN SEPTEMBER		1 Dinner 6PM, Lodge meeting 7PM	2	3 Corn Hole 6 PM	4 No Hamburger Hotdog night	5 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8
6 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	7	8 B.O.D. MEETING	9	10 Corn Hole 6 PM	11 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	12 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8
13 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	14	15 Vets meeting 530 Dinner 6 Lodge meeting 7	16	17 Corn Hole 6 PM	18 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	19 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8
20 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	21	22	23	24 Corn Hole 6 PM	25 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	26 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8
27 Bartender 1st shift 1-4 2nd shift 4-8	28	29	30	 LIFE LINE SCREENING SEPTEMBER 1ST 8 AM – 5 PM		

★  BLOOD DRIVE 2–6 PM SEPTEMBER 15TH | INITIATION MEETING SEPTEMBER 15TH ★

Let's help our long-time members

Many of us understand the role of taking care of aging family members or helping friends who are struggling financially or are in poor physical health. As charity begins at home, please give consideration to delinquent members who may be facing hardships. Remember "Living or dead, an Elk is Never Forgotten...Never Forsaken."

Remember Elk's Lodge #764 in your Will and Estate Planning

You can provide now, for a future gift to New Bern Lodge #764 by including a bequest provision in your will or revocable trust. Your gift will be applied to the purpose (s) you specify. Help your Lodge to be there for years to come as it has been here for you through your lifetime. Careful estate planning today allows you to plan for the future and to provide for important people and causes in your life. Hopefully, your Elk's Lodge is one of those important causes. What better way to express "Elks Care – Elks Share".

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VICKIE FISCHER

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