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From The Exalter Ruler



Another month has come and gone and as we due our best to keep our lodge going, we must stay on path to insure we do our best to keep our lodge safe for our members. Paula and Larry Albert clean and sanitize every day as volunteers maintain social distancing and wearing masks as advised while working in and outside our lodge.

The A/C duct work has been completed and we are waiting for the air vents that had to be special ordered to complete the job. Also, the sheetrock damaged in kitchen will be replaced in the next few days.

We are planning a Fourth of July BBQ Chicken/Sausage, potato salad, and fixings for \$10 and deserts for sale. We would like to open our lodge so members can again meet and socialize. Due to current covid-19, we may have to change plans and make this a curbside pickup if we cannot open the Lodge. We will let you know as soon as we can. Please come by and pick up your tickets, since we have not been able to open our bar or grill, this our only fundraiser we have had this year. We still need to pay bills so please support your lodge. Help sell tickets to your friends and family. Let us do the cooking for you.

Thank you, Frank Arechiga, Frank Lopez, Ron Arteaga, Albert Flores for joining me and donating money to help offset the cost of the BBQ. Bags of charcoal have been donated by Tom Lally, Tom Hernandez, Albert Flores, Ron Arteaga and myself, we need more if anyone else would like to donate a bag or bags of charcoal. Tom is also is donating an apple pie, we could also use more deserts to sell.

On June 16 we had our Flag Day Ceremony before our membership meeting. I would like to thank Jack Huggins who organized the ceremony. Thank you to Lee for his part and his readings.

Frank Lopez was installed as Lodge Tiller. Congratulations Frank.

We will continue to work to have this Lodge, your Lodge ready to open when it is safe for all members. I thank all the officers who come and volunteer their work while maintaining health ordinances set by our Mayor and County Judge.

Albert Estrada
Exalted Ruler



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FROM THE LODGE SECRETARY

The regular membership meetings for July 2020 are Tuesday, 7th and 21st 7:30 p.m. at the Elks Facility.

Our current membership is 120. *We currently have 24 members that have not paid their dues for this Lodge year.*

If you have not paid your dues for this Lodge Year 2020-2021 please do so. You may send your payment to the Lodge, pay in person at the Lodge by credit card, cash, or check.

UPCOMING ENENTS

- *July 4th HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA
- *July 31 Texas Elks State Association meeting, Dallas
- *August 22-23 DD/VP Clinic Kerrville Elks #2081



PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Houston Smith - proposed by Jack Huggins
Dolores Tijerina - proposed by Angela Mann
April Cramer - proposed by Angela Mann

Help us keep our records up to date. If you have a change of your mailing or email address or get a new phone number please notify the Lodge Secretary.

The Lodge Secretary is in the office one hour prior to Lodge meetings for any Lodge business.

See you at the Lodge soon

Jack Huggins, PER, Secretary
Office Phone # (210) 697.3331
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Our San Antonio Elks #216 website is currently being redesigned.

Please visit our FaceBook page for current information and updates.

We will notify you when the new website is up and running.

Stay tuned!



**The San Antonio Elks #216
Grand Re-Opening - July 4th
Bar-B-Que Chicken Dinner**

Has been postponed

Due to local directives & concerns over the
COVID-19 Virus

The Officer's and House Committee
feel it is in the best interest of the membership
to postpone this event.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

Stay tuned for future updates.



Summer Camp at Ottine

Online this summer

With the cancellation of the
Summer Camp due to
concerns about the COVID-19
Virus the Staff is conducting

2020 Online Summer Camp

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. daily

[Facebook.com/texaselksmajorprojects](https://www.facebook.com/texaselksmajorprojects)

Greetings from the House Committee

The House Committee is working to better our Lodge, and are committed this year to doing our best for our Lodge!

We hope you all a safe and happy 4th of July. Thank you and please stay safe!

Paula Albert
House Committee Chairperson



Elks Care - Elks Share



Veteran's Activities

July 2020

Until further notice our monthly activities have been suspended



"As long as there are Veteran's in our hospitals they will never be forgotten"

Jack Huggins, PER



Elks National Foundation

So far this Lodge year 2020-2021
we are at \$7.23 per capita

Make your contribution today.

Thank you for your support of the Foundation and the many programs that are provided by your contributions.

LODGE OFFICERS 2020-2021

Exalted Ruler	Albert Estrada
Esteemed Leading Knight	Ron Arteaga
Esteemed Loyal Knight	Edward Jones
Esteemed Lecturing Knight	Tommy Hernandez
Esquire	Lawrence Brown, PER
Chaplain	Ed Migdalski
Secretary	Jack Huggins, PER
Treasurer	Frank Arechiga, PDDGER
Inner Guard	Paula Albert
Tiler	Frank Lopez
Trustee 1 year	James Walker
Trustee 2 year	Lee Hinchler, PDDGER
Trustee 3 year	Albert Flores
Board of Directors	Chair Officers & Trustees
Mediator	Tommy Hernandez

Your officers are here to serve you. They will keep you advised of the functions and activities of the Lodge. If you have questions or comments they are the ones who can help you.

Happy to serve the members of Elks #216



Texas Elks State Association

Mike Callahan, President
 Kelly McDermott, President Elect
 Orville Weiss, Secretary
 Steve Weatherly, Treasurer

Southwest District Officers

Joy Streater
 District Deputy Grand Exalter Ruler
 Gordon Daniels
 Southwest District Vice-President

Newsletter Articles due by the 20th of the month



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San Antonio Elks #216 Facebook
 page take the time to visit and take a
 look at the all the great stuff.

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 Family Gathering
 consider
 having your
 event at the
Elks Facility

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Why Do Teens Use Drugs

The teen years are often a time to explore and learn more about themselves as they approach adulthood. Often, this involves experimenting and testing their boundaries. The desire to do something new or risky is a normal part of teen development.

WATCH: Understanding the “Why” Behind Your Child’s Substance Use (Partnership for Drug-Free Kids)

Teens who perceive little risk in using **drugs** are more likely to use drugs. Teens may also use drugs or alcohol to:

Relieve boredom, Feel good, Forget their troubles and relax, Satisfy their curiosity, Ease their pain, Feel grown up, Show their independence, Belong to a specific group

What are the Risk Factors and Protective Factors for Drug Use?

Many factors influence a child’s likelihood to use illegal substances or develop a substance abuse disorder. Effective drug prevention focuses on reducing the risk factors and strengthening the protective factors that are most closely related to substance abuse.

Risk factors are circumstances or events that increase a child’s use and abuse of drugs. The more risk factors present, the more likely a child may be to use drugs and develop problems. Risk factors for drug use include:

- ✓ Low grades or failure in school
- ✓ Victim of bullying or cyberbullying
- ✓ Low self esteem
- ✓ Permissive parenting
- ✓ Parent or older sibling drug/alcohol use
- ✓ Living in a community with a high tolerance for smoking, drinking, or drug use among youth
- ✓ Attending a school without strict rules for tobacco, alcohol, or drugs and inconsistent enforcement for breaking those rules
- ✓ Belief that there is little risk in using a drug.

Protective Factors

Protective factors are those characteristics that can reduce a person’s risk for substance abuse or addiction. Protective factors that may decrease the risk of drug use include:

1. Strong bond with a parent or caregiver
2. High self esteem
3. Parent or caregiver who talks regularly with their child about drugs
4. Active in faith-based organizations, school, athletic, or community activities
5. Spending time around positive role models
6. Living in a community that offers youths activities where drugs and alcohol are not tolerated
7. Attending a school with an effective alcohol and drug education program and a non-tolerance policy for alcohol and drugs
8. Belief that using drugs may be harmful or risky

As a parent you can control many of the risk and protective factors in your home. Remember that parents and caregivers are the most important role models in children’s lives.

For more information see Growing up Drug Free: A Parent’s Guide to Prevention.

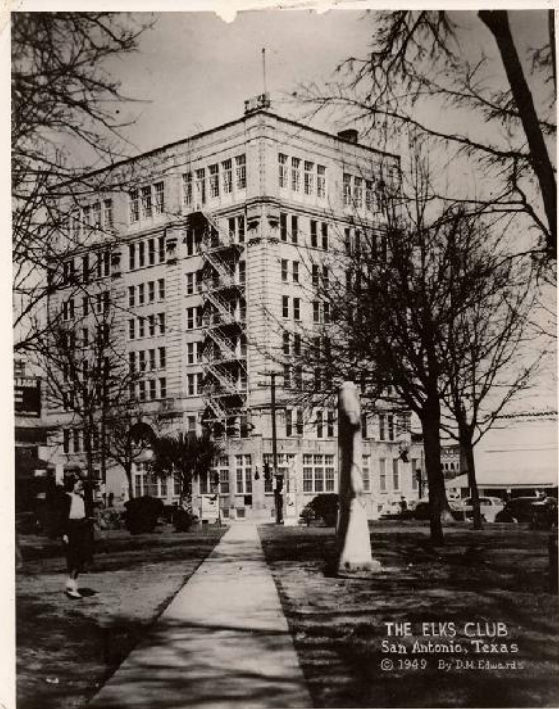
Source: O’Connell, M.E., Boat, T., & Warner, K.E. (Eds.). (2009) Preventing mental, emotional, and behavioral disorders among young people: Progress and possibilities. National Research Council and Institute of Medicine of the National Academies. Washington, D.C.: The National Academies Press

Frank Arechiga, Drug Awareness Chairman



The San Antonio Elks #216 celebrated Flag Day with the Elks Service prior to the regular meeting on June 16, 2020.

A special thank you to the Lodge Officer's and PDDGER Lee Hincer for the History of the Flag presentation.



The photo to the right was the home of the San Antonio Elks #216 for 70 years. The building was located at Pecan and Navarro streets in downtown San Antonio.

The property was sold and the building was demolished in June 1978.