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NEWS FROM THE EXALTED RULER

We had a crazy month, but we survived. Don't forget National Convention in Atlanta July 3 - 6. It's never too late to sign up and join us. I would like to thank everyone that worked very hard to make the low country boil a success. Even though we didn't have a big turnout, it was a nice meal and their loss. Doug had beautiful glasses and coasters printed to sell which Heather and Greg Hickey was wonderful in helping me sell most of them at our State Convention. We still have a few glasses for sale if anyone is interested in purchasing one. Also, I would like to thank Vicki, Gary and Rob along with everyone else who has put effort into cleaning and fixing the pool area up. It looks wonderful. We only have one meeting in July and one in August so mark your calendar for the 3rd Thursday. The rest of the month please join people at the lodge throughout the month. I will be gone the month of July but there are plenty of members that can help if someone needs it. We will be hosting a blood drive in August with American Red Cross on our fish fry day so if you are able to help, please let me know.

Our kitchen sinks are having problems and Tom Barber is working very hard on getting it fixed. We have to get the grease trap pumped out to see if that helps but it is going to take everyone's help. Please do not put anything down that drain. Wipe out the pans and bowls in the trash not the sink. Throw any grease liquids out the door not in the drains. Until it gets fixed take the shopvac and suck out the water in the sinks. Don't let it set overnight it doesn't take that long to empty them. The other night there was 6 inches of water left in the sink along with 2 inches of grease stuck all around the sink and that cannot ever happen again. We all have to work together to keep it going.

Brenda Sailors
Exalted Ruler

TIP OF THE ANTLERS TO...

Our antlers tip this month to Gary Moore for pressure washing the brick wall at the pool, the restrooms and painting.

Our antlers tip this month to Rob Shatraw for the awesome job he has done maintaining the pool for everyone's summer fun.



MORE FROM YOUR ER...

The Pool

Just to let people know how things work at the pool. We sell pool passes to members for them and the family members that live in the household to enjoy. If you bring anyone to the pool with you it is a \$5.00 charge per person each time. There is a box on the back wall where you put your money into. It is an honor system that is being abused, do not make us have to change the system. Remember, your guests are allowed three visits. Then they will need to become members.

The cost of the pool pass only covers the cost of chemicals to keep it treated and with the cost of chemicals going up, it barely covers that. We do not have money to supply extras around the pool, so if someone has umbrellas, ceiling fans and chairs they would like to donate, we would appreciate them. The Ladies Auxiliary has kindly purchased 6 lounge chairs and we are very thankful. It is up to everyone who visits the pool to make sure things are kept clean and everyone is respecting the furniture.

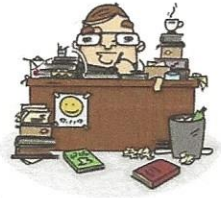
Also, the restrooms are there for your convenience so keep them clean and free of trash. We do not have maids so clean up after yourselves. One way to help with dirt and leaves in the restrooms is to keep the doors closed.

Pool passes are \$60.00 and are available at the bar for purchase.

ER GETS STATE RECOGNITION

Brenda Sailors was recognized by the Georgia Elks for her hard work and dedication to Elkdom. She has made great strides moving our lodge toward self-sufficiency and community awareness. Through Brenda's go get it attitude and constant positive outlook is why she was recognized at the Georgia Elks Convention on Jekyll. So, congratulate her the next time you see her. Great Job!





FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK LARRY WESTBERRY

Well summer is here, how do I know? My electric bill tells me! Listening to the radio during the fish fry last month, a caller stated that gas prices were not bad. He just got a fill up for \$22.... his lawn mower!

The Lodge has 3 candidates awaiting initiation. Indoctrination of the new members will take place August 17, 2022, with initiation on August 18, 2022. Nineteen of our members still need to pay their 2022-2023 dues. The dues this year are \$129.00 with the option of \$10 toward Elks National Foundation and \$10 to Elks Aidmore Inc. Please submit your dues.

I will be out of town from July 13, through August 3, 2022. I will be available via cell (912-996-5972). My granddaughter is getting married in Austin TX. If you need to contact me, please call and leave me a message. I will return your call.

Enjoy the summer with your family and friends. The pool at the Lodge is clean and cool. New lounge chairs have been added courtesy of our Ladies Auxiliary. Thank you, ladies. You do so much to help and support our Lodge.

Meetings are held the first and third Thursday each month beginning at 7:00pm.

Reminder July & August there will be 1 meeting. July 21st and August 18th

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION



The mission of the Elks National Foundation (ENF) is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill this pledge by investing in communities where Elks live and work. We help youth develop lifelong skills, send students to college, meet the needs of today's veterans, support the charitable work of the state Elks associations, and fund projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

Like all Elks, the Foundation values the belief that charity is the greatest of all virtues and that by sharing and giving, we have the power to replace sorrow and despair with hope and confidence. Donations to the Foundation help us fund programs that match our cornerstone values of knowledge, integrity and community.

Our Lodge and Community have benefited from ENF, receiving more in grant moneys than we have donated. So, when you see a fundraiser for ENF please do not hesitate to contribute, we get it back and more.

ELKS AIDMORE, INC.

<https://elksaidmore.com/>

Aidmore is Georgia Elks state major project. I ask that you click on the link and go to the website and read all the great accomplishments we have done as Georgia Elks. Brunswick does great things within our community but we are a part of the state and need to help all our youth.

Aidmore delivers a wide range of programs from residential treatment to support programs to participants and their families focusing on at-risk teenagers and young adults.

Aidmore is spread across the state with offices in Conyers, Valdosta, Savannah and Dalton. Aidmore is an award-winning program for youth.

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD

We want to give a shout-out to one of our own, Sherri McNair Irby Pruitt, for being sworn in this week as the new President for Golden Isles Rotary Club! She was also present for the Rotary International Assembly this past weekend to learn how she can better serve her community and to lead others with the same mission.

Congratulations

Sherrie and her husband are new members



Golden Isles Rotary Club

American Red Cross Needs your help on August 19. They are hosting a blood drive at Brunswick Elks Lodge. If you are willing to help, please come to a meeting at the Lodge on Wed June 29 at 5pm. Times and more information will be available soon.

GIVE BLOOD
You can make a difference.



So proud that our Elk Family is growing! Keep up the awesome work of inviting friends to join.

JULY 4TH, 1776



July 4 has been designated a national holiday to commemorate the United States declaring itself to be a free and independent nation.

The famous preamble to the Declaration of Independence reads: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Charles Thompson and the infamous John Hancock were the only two men who actually signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. The other 54 delegates signed over the course of the next month.

Of the 56 signers, the youngest signers, Thomas Lynch Jr. and Edward Rutledge of South Carolina, were only 26. However, Benjamin Franklin of Pennsylvania was the oldest signer at 70 years old.

The One World Trade Center in New York was designed to be 1776 feet tall to represent the declaration of independence from Great Britain.

John Adams have been the first to suggest fireworks. Some people think the idea of marking major events with fireworks originated with Founding Father John Adams. In a letter to his wife and political advisor, Abigail, he suggested that "illuminations" be part of the future Independence Day celebrations, the first of which was held in 1777.

Nearly 100 years after Massachusetts made July 4 an official state celebration, Congress declared Independence Day an unpaid federal holiday as part of a bill to officially recognize several holidays. In 1941, the 4th of July finally became a paid holiday for federal employees.

While there have been a whopping three presidents to pass away on the 4th of July, there has only been one president ever to be born on the American holiday: Calvin Coolidge. Coolidge was born July 4, 1872, in Plymouth Notch, Vermont.

CLUB MANAGER MESSAGE
PAM LOSEY

June's Fish Fry went very well. We sold 79 dinners. It seems the jalapeño hushpuppies have become favorites for some customers. July's Fish Fry is the 15th. Larry and Brenda will be on vacation so if you would like to volunteer the signup sheets are in the back hall by the office.

Just a reminder the Lodge is open: Tuesdays 5pm till 10pm (Bingo Night), Wednesdays 5pm till 9:00pm, and Fridays 5pm till 10pm.

July Lodge Dinners and Special Events are as follows:

July 1st – Dinner – Fried Chicken, potato salad, corn on the cob Dinner. We will also be doing the first 50/50 drawing for new TVs in the dining room and sports bar. Good Luck all. Tickets can be purchased at the bar.

July 8th – Vince is cooking. I'll let you know what when he tells me.

July 15th – Fish Fry – 11:00am to 2:00pm

July 15th – Dinner – Pork chops, grilled or fried, baked potato, vegetable

July 20th – Trivia Night – Open to the Public doors open at 6pm limited menu available

July 22nd – Dinner - Fried fish or shrimp, baked potato, vegetable

July 25th – Dining Room Rental, private event

July 29th – Dinner - Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable

Wednesday night menus will be posted weekly on Facebook and sent via email to the members. Food is served from 6pm until 7pm. Come in and shoot pool, play darts, or just sit and kibitz for the evening.

Updates to menus and additional activities will be posted on Facebook and emails sent as needed to keep everyone up to date.

If anyone has a desire to cook, be it Wednesday night or Friday night let me know. I can definitely use the help.

I'm always open to new activity ideas and new foods to offer. I would appreciate any suggestions anyone might have.

As to the subject of masks, to wear one or not to wear one is entirely up to you, it's your choice.

Stay healthy and safe and have a cool summer.

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

July 2022

Sunflowers

This year our state president has chosen the sunflower to represent her year. I cannot think of a better example of our auxiliary. We strive to follow the light each and everyday no matter the news we get throughout that day. We are all together like the seeds working for a better community. Then surrounded by the brilliant yellows of the prism just like a crown we each wear.

It's easy to get caught up in life's excitement but remember your friends, remember our members that are unable to attend meetings. Give them a call just to say hi and see how they are doing or just to listen. You might be the only outside contact they have that day.



Sincerely,
Heather Hickey, Auxiliary President

We are starting our summer meeting schedule. We will not meet again until September 1, 2022. Hope everyone has an awesome summer. Remember the pool is open and pool passes are available at the bar.

SAVE THE DATE

Please let me know if you need a ride to the meeting. I will be happy to make arrangements for you to attend. I know many of you do not like to drive at night and we do not want that to keep you away!! Heather Hickey cell 912 223 1029 just remember I'm a teacher and cannot answer during the day. Just leave me a message and I will get back to you!



Prayer



Rena Lary – Ed & Sandra Abel – Charlene Westberry
Connie Godley - LuAnn Wolf – Stanley Santee

Let each of us pray that God’s healing touch will work his healing powers upon our Elk’s in need. The power of prayer does work. If you know of someone that needs to be on the sickness and distress list, please email by 20th of each month to:
westberry3@comcast.net



UPCOMING NEWS

FISH FRY

Monthly Fish Fry July 15, 2022, 11:00 to 2:00. Price is \$10.00 for fried catfish, cheese grits, coleslaw, hush puppies and tea and dessert. All dessert funds go toward the Auxiliary’s nurse’s scholarship. Call ahead for delivery.



Grub & Games

Every Wednesday we have dinner and fun at the lodge. You do not have to eat to play, and you do not have to play to eat.

Bar is open also for those needing a cool refreshment!

- July 6
- July 13
- July 20
- July 27



LOG IT!

Whenever you do something on behalf of the Lodge, please log your hours in the sign-up book located in the kitchen. If you attend an event on behalf of the Lodge, please log it in the book. It does not matter how small or big the activity, when in doubt: LOG IT!

LODGE HOURS
OF OPERATION
TUE, WED 5:00 TO 10:00
FRIDAY 5:00 TO 10:00

KITCHEN HOURS
TUE 6:00 TO 8:00
WEDNESDAY 6:00 TO 7:00
FRIDAY 6:30 TO 8:00



JULY BINGO & CONCESSION

Date	Bingo	Concession	50/50
July 5, 2022	Rachel Hamilton	Beth Strickland	G. Fletcher
	Pam Losey	CJ Strickland	
	Vince Sowerby	Patty Owens	
July 12, 2022	Sharon Jackson	Pat Smith	G. Fletcher
	Larry Westberry	Melissa Malone	
	Doug Einsel	Patty Owens	
July 19, 2022	Rachel Hamilton	Pat Smith	G. Fletcher
	Pattie Barber	Melissa Malone	
	Greg Hickey	Patty Owens	
July 26, 2022	Rachel Hamilton	Pat Smith	G. Fletcher
	James Ditty	Melissa Malone	
	Marvin Reese	Patty Owens	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY 2022



02 Jim Conine
 20 Edwin Meyer
 29 Kady Young

17 John D. Lang
 22 Candi Coker
 31 Mark Pruitt

18 Danny Lee Patrick
 12 Patricia Barber

04 Shelba Davies



JULY

2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2
					National Elk Convention in Atlanta	
3	4 	5 	6	7	8	9
National Elk Convention in Atlanta						
10	11	12 	13	14	15  Fish Fry 11-1	16
17 Peach Ice Cream Day 	18	19 	20	21 Board Mt Elk mt 7pm 	22	23
24	25	26 	27	28	29 National Chicken Wing Day 	30
31 National Watermelon Day 						

August

2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 1 st Day Teachers 	2 	3	4	5 International Beer Day 	6
7 Purple Heart Day 	8 	9 1 st day of School 	10	11	12	13 National Bowling Day 
14	15	16 	17 New Member Indoctrination 6:00 P.M.	18 Board Mt Elk mt 7pm 	19  Fish Fry 11-2	20
21 Senior Citizen's Day 	22	23 	24	25	26 National Dog Day 	27
28	29	30 	31			

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THE LODGE IS YOUR LODGE! THE MORE YOU PUT INTO IT, THE MORE YOU GET OUT OF IT.