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601 W Pioneer Pkwy
Arlington, Texas 76010

Lodge Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 pm Board Meetings 2nd & 4th Wednesday 6:30pm



Winter Hours

Social Quarters Hours

Mon 4:00—BD/11:00 Fri 3:00—BD/12:00
Tues 4:00—BD/11:00 Sat 12:00 —BD/11:00
Wed 4:00—BD/11:00 Sun 12:00*—BD/10:00
Thur 4:00—BD/11:00

BD is Business Decrease defined as:

Last call to be given thirty (30) minutes prior to closing. If five (5) or more members are present, the Club/Lounge may stay open until posted closing time with last call given 30 minutes prior to closing. Bar may close prior to scheduled time above if less than five (5) members are present.

2021-2022 Officers Arlington Lodge #2114

Exalter Ruler
Renee Werts 317-626-6628

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Robert Stahn 817-277-2601

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3 yr Duncan Price 817-874-4686
2 yr Turk Blackwell 817 994-7665
1 yr Keith Stanley 817-319-2327

PLEASE TURN IN ANGELS BY DECEMBER 14, 2022

New Years Eve Dinner Party
December 31, 2022

Reception

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Dinner

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Midnight Toast & Breakfast

Classic Wedge Salad

Topped w/ Fresh Bacon Crumbles, Diced Tomato

Sirloin Steak au Poivre

Champagne Chicken

Creamy Mushroom Champagne Sauce

Bacon Wrapped Asparagus

Carrots Vichy Herbed

Twice Baked Potato

Crème Brulee

\$35.00 Per Person

Dance the night away with

Montana Band

8:00 pm - 12:00 am

Reservation Required:

Cinda Palomino 972-897-3927

kitchen@arlingtonelks.org

817-277-2114 ext. 13



Wow, where has this year gone? It seems like yesterday we were bringing in the start of 2022 and now we are about to bring in 2023!

I want to personally Thank everyone that has joined, stepped up, and volunteered this past year. Without the commitment our of members we as a Lodge would not thrive and succeed in our efforts for Veterans, special need children, community activities/donations and within our own lives.

Thank you for all YOU DO!

Did you know –

In December 1941, Franklin Roosevelt became the first President to use an armored vehicle. Originally belonging to infamous gangster Al Capone, the car was seized by the Treasury Department in 1932 on an income-tax evasion charge.

The attack on Pearl Harbor created a wave of patriotism and outrage. Less than a year after Pearl Harbor, 50 million of 132 million Americans were employed in the war effort working for the government. Japan, now one of America's strongest allies, is the [largest source of international tourists](#) to the state of Hawaii. Japanese visitors pay their respects at National Memorial just as Americans do. The legendary figure of [Santa Claus](#) can be traced back to [St. Nicholas](#), a Turkish-born monk from the Third Century who gained fame wandering the countryside helping the poor and sick.

An Iron Age tradition of burning huge logs to ring in the New Year evolved over the centuries into a rich Christmas dessert made of rolled sponge cake and whipped cream. At the end of December, Celtic and Gaelic cultures used to decorate a large log with holly, pine cones, and a splash of wine and burn it to cleanse the old year and usher in the spring.

Penned by a Northerner who proudly fought for the [Confederacy](#), "[Jingle Bells](#)" never mentions Christmas, but does talk about drag-racing sleighs and picking up girls. The song's composer, James Lord Pierpont, broke with his Boston family's abolitionist stance and joined the South in the [Civil War](#), where he wrote popular Confederate anthems like "We Conquer, Or Die!" "Jingle Bells" was originally titled "One Horse Open Sleigh" and may have first been performed in blackface.

In 1939, retail giant Montgomery Ward came up with the idea of writing its own Christmas book to hand out to kids during the coming holiday shopping season. The task fell to copywriter Robert May, who took inspiration from his daughter's love of the reindeers at the zoo and his own childhood as a small, shy kid who was never invited to play sports. More than 2 million copies of the original "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" illustrated booklet were distributed in 1939 and the character instantly became a beloved part of American Christmas lore.

Thanksgiving dinner was a sight to behold with all the members and families that came up to enjoy this lodge family day. Thank you to Dee Woodhull for the awesome appetizers that greeted everyone on their tables when they arrive. As always, thank you to all who volunteered to help – Eddie Palomino, John Header, Dee Woodhull, Shad Fattig, Mary Fattig, Kay Leamon, Gail (David) Hrabal. If I left anyone out am sorry but the older, I get – need I say more :O)

Please mark your calendars for the Breakfast w/Santa, Elks Rest, Lodge Christmas Dinner, and Sweetheart New Year's Eve Party & Breakfast.

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**Lodge Meetings:
December 7th @ 7:00pm**

**Board Meetings:
December 14th @ 6:30pm**

Proposed for Membership

Applications for Membership, Affiliation or Reinstatement have been received from the following individuals:

Candidate

Occupation

Proposer

These candidates may be balloted on at the meeting of Dec 7th

Kenneth August Peterson
Marie Ross
Robert F. Lehr
Sheryl Kacor
Ida Annette Aurioles
Delores Gilbreath
John P. Rice

Retired Veteran
Homemaker
Retired
Homemaker
Retired
Retired
School Bus Driver

Susan Tyner
Robert Ross
Corey Ledenham
Tom Kacor
Michael Scarth
Don Hamby
Kathleen Sullivan

Membership Scorecard

Membership 4/1/2022	452
Initiated (+)	36
Transfer In (+)	2
Reinstated (+)	3
Subtotal (+)	41
Dropped 3/31/23 (-)	0
Transfer Out (-)	1
Deceased (-)	6
Subtotal (-)	7
Net Total	+34
Year-to-Date Total	486
Not Paid This Year	52
Candidates	18
Projected Total	446
Candidates Needed for "Plus-One"	1

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER
ER Renee Werts, Thomas McCarty



Monthly Red Pig Challenge

Sweetheart Red Pig Program

Pick up a Reg Pig and see who can fill it with coins and have the largest dollar amount in the pig

RULES:

1. One pig per entrant per month
2. US coins only
3. No paper money, checks , or bullion
4. Tape over the coin slot after filling and date with month, year, and your name and contact information.
5. Turn in by the end of the month to Red Pig Chairperson, John Header, or designee to be tallied and recorded.
6. Winner to be announced on the second Tuesday of the following month.

The 1st place winner will receive ticket/voucher for two complementary Friday night dinners. Also, any filled pigs with \$100 or over will receive a TECSI Sweetheart Certificate for your donation.

Any additional prizes are at the Red Pig Chairperson's discretion.

December Birthdays

Happy Birthday to ...

Bette	Anderson	12	01	Larry	Patterson	12	15	Jullie	Tran	12	24
Chad	Wong	12	01	Pete	McCleskey	12	16	James	Bailey	12	25
Ricky	Esqueda	12	02	Marge	Rolston	12	16	Ed	Geno	12	25
Robert	Ackerman	12	03	Bob	Ross	12	16	Cathryn	Haynes	12	25
John	Jacob	12	03	Tony	Fontanelli	12	17	Buddy	Shepard	12	25
Curtis	Osburn	12	04	Albert	Olivas	12	17	Bruce	Barry	12	26
Casey	Cagle	12	05	Laura	Chandler	12	18	Gena	Jennett	12	26
John	Huey	12	05	David	Teel	12	18	John	Schmeisser	12	27
Robert	Sterling	12	09	Larry	Turner	12	18	William	Bonefas	12	28
Brenda	Derk	12	10	Brenda	Straten	12	20	Adelita	Lopez	12	28
Ed	Hohman	12	10	James	Reynolds	12	21	Amanda	Storey	12	28
Lisa	Gruch-Emert	12	11	Kristi	Weil	12	21	Glenn	Henicke	12	29
George	Paradise	12	11	Michael	Dailey	12	22	Lee	Morgan	12	29
Frank	Scheffers	12	11	Bud	Harrold	12	22	Jimmy	Sanchez	12	29
Larry	Romano	12	12	Wayne	Brown	12	23	Gene	Shank	12	30
Tony	Floyd	12	13	Danny	Goode	12	23	Chuck	Bayne	12	31
Linda	Medlock	12	13	Larry	Hugo	12	24	Cliff	Dillehay	12	31
Chris	Minton	12	15	Jeff	Nall	12	24				

If you were born this month and we overlooked your birthday, please call the Lodge office on 817-277-2114 extension 10 or email Lodge@ArlingtonElks.org and let us know!

STATUTORY LODGE COMMITTEES

Accident Prevention	Turk Blackwell
Fraternal Committee	Loyal Knight Robert Stahn
Americanism.....	Don Hamby
Veterans Services	
Memorial Day.....	Veterans Committee
Flag Day	Rob Ivey
Elks Memorial Sunday	Lodge Officers
Membership	Dee Woodhull
New Member Interviews.....	Dee Woodhull
Orientation	Jerry Gruber
Renewals & Reinstatements.....	Renee Werts
Elks National Foundation	Don Hamby
Activities Committee	Lecturing Knight Gary Rapp
Drug Awareness	
Government Relations	George Paradise
Hoop Shoot.....	Keith Stanley
Scholarships.....	Viola Lindsay
Essay Contest.....	Viola Lindsay
Youth Activities.....	
Public Relations	

STATUTORY LODGE COMMITTEES (continued)

Auditing & Accounting	Michael Berneberg
Auditors.....	Bennie Hawkins, Ed Geno
Relief Committee	Lodge Officers
	(ER, Knights, Secretary, Treasurer)

OTHER LODGE COMMITTEES

Bingo.....	John Header
Building Maintenance	Trustees
Club Management	Board of Governors
Bar Managers.....	Turk Blackwell
Kitchen Managers.....	Eddie Palomino & Kay Leamon
Golf Committee.....	Tommy Fontaine
Grounds Maintenance	Volunteers.
Lodge Sweetheart.....	Sweetheart Committee
Newsletter Editor	Don Hamby
Pool Committee.....	Chris Minton
Pool Maintenance	Bill Westerlage
Social Activities	Renee Werts
Entertainment	Cinda Palomino
Social Media	
Veterans Memorial Garden	Mac McKenzie

If you would like more information about any of the committees listed above or want to participate in, get email updates about any of their activities, or even chair a vacancy, please send email to committees@arlingtonelks.org.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ARLINGTON TROOP 396

Meetings and Merit Badges

Arlington Fire Department Station #6 stopped by to show off one of their big trucks. They let us look it over up close and answered questions about being a fire fighter.

Pack 52 News

We got to visit with AFD also. They arrived ahead of schedule and we had an unscheduled adventure! The lions, tigers and bears practiced setting up a tent. The Arrow of Light Webelos (AOL) worked on rules of the Scout Law. The AOL badge is the only award from Cub Scouts you can keep on your uniform shirt as a Boy Scout.



Friday Night Dinners

Please join us for dinner on the 2nd Friday on December 9th. We'll be serving chicken fajitas, rice and beans along with salad and dessert.

Monthly Camping

The planned campout for December is the winter lock-in. The boys will be staying up all night playing video games and eating pizza.

Henry Ramsdell
Troop Scribe

Website: <http://bsatroop396.org/>
follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BSATROOP396>





Arlington Drove News

Benevolent and Patriotic Order of DOES

Wow, we are getting so close to saying goodbye to 2022!

Our only meeting this month will be on Thursday, Dec 1st at 7:00PM.

The DOES will again head up the Elks Breakfast with Santa, on Saturday, December 3rd. Breakfast starts at 9:00AM and Santa will arrive by 9:30AM. Please bring your kids/grandkids and have them tell Santa what they want for Christmas and have some breakfast as well. Children 10 and under will receive breakfast for free, all others will only be \$5.00

We will have the "Decorate the Christmas Cookie" area again this year, for the kids. Renee Werts heads that up and it is always a huge hit!

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the breakfast that morning. Please arrive any time after 7:30AM, if you can assist.

Burger night for the DOES will be on Tuesday, December 13th. Please come out and have a burger or chicken sandwich and try your luck at some delicious desserts on the Cake raffle.

Our DOES Christmas dinner and gift exchange will be on Thursday, December 15th. It will begin at 6:30PM. Dinner will be \$20.00 and please bring a wrapped gift

<i>Drove #166 2021 Officers</i>	
President	..... Kay Leamon
First Counselor	..... Nancy Poole
Senior Counselor	..... Marty Hutto
Junior Counselor	..... Paige Shoemaker
Secretary	..... Julie Lusero
Treasurer	..... Kathie Hoogerwerf
Conductor	..... Beth Stanley
Assist. Conductor	.....
Inner Guard	..... Mary Jane Header
Outer Guard	..... Mary Conrad
Musician	.....
3 Year Trustee	..... Nelda Jones
2 Year Trustee	..... Marty Hutto
1 Year Trustee	..... Renee Werts
Chaplain	..... Mary Stewart
Alternate Delegate	..... Julie Lusero
Color Bearer #1	.....
Color Bearer #2	.....
Color Bearer #3	.....
Color Bearer #4	.....
Attendants #1	..... Helen Dominy
Attendants #2	..... Laura Chandler
Attendants #3	.....
Attendants #4	.....

December Birthdays...

Gail Davis.....12/04
 Angel Schuetz....12/09
 Beth Hamby.....12/21



**DINNER BY KAY
TOYS FOR TOTS
DECEMBER 2, 2022 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM**

join us



**MINISTRONE SOUP
TORN ROMAINE LETTUCE
SHAVED PARMESAN CHEESE
CAESAR DRESSING**

**HOMEMADE LAGASNA
CHICKEN ALFREDO FETTUCCINI
W/A SILK ALFREDO SAUCE
ITALIAN GREEN BEANS
FRESHLY BAKED GARLIC BREAD
GRATED PARMESAN, CRUSHED RED PEPPERS
DESSERT**

**DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY
DOUG & BEN
7:30 PM - 10:30 PM
RESERVATIONS: [KITCHEN@ARLINGTONELKS.ORG](mailto:kitchen@arlingtonelks.org)
817-277-2114 EXT. 13**

**Lodge Friday Dinner
by Boy Scouts
December 9, 2022
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm**

**Chicken Fajita's
Mexican Rice
Refried Beans
Queso & Chips
Salsa, Guacamole, Cheese, etc.
Dessert**

\$12.00 per person

**Dance the night away with
Little Beats**

**7:30 pm - 10:30 pm
Reservation Required: kitchen@arlingtonelks.org
OR 817-277-2114 ext. 13**



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***New Years Eve Breakfast
December 31, 2022***



***Assorted Breakfast Casseroles
Hash Browns
Biscuits & Gravy
Butter & Assorted Jellies
Traditional Black-eye Peas
Corn Bread
Coffee & Orange Juice***



Lodge Christmas Dinner

December 16, 2022

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

***Garden Green Mix Salad
Slice Cucumbers, Grape Tomato
Assorted Dressing***

***Hamby's Nearly Famous
Boneless Smothered Pork Chops
LemonGarlic Baked Chicken
on Herb de Provence Rice Pilaf
Roasted Rosemary Red Potatoes
Medley of Garden Vegetables***

Renee's Famous Desserts

\$15.00 per person

***Dance the night away with
Collin Dexter***

8:00 pm - 12:00 am

***Reservations:
kitchen@arlingtonelks.org
817-277-2114 ext. 13***

Mark Your Calendars

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Dec 2, 2022** **Toys for Tots**
- Dec 3, 2022** **Breakfast with Santa**
- Dec 4, 2022** **Elks Rest Ceremony 1:00 pm**
- Dec 16, 2022** **Elks Christmas Dinner**
- Dec 31, 2022** **New Year's Eve Party**
- Jan 21-22, 2023** **North Central District Interlodge**



Support our Foundation by donating online. You could give through the Lodge, but the *only* difference when you donate online is how quickly your gift helps others.

Donate to the Elks National Foundation online at
enf.elks.org/MyLodge

Elk of the Month  *Shad Fattig*

Special thanks to Shad Fattig for all his hard work around the Lodge. He is always stepping up to fill in when we ask/or need him too. He has worked tirelessly on our grounds and pool area. Enjoy your parking space this month.

**Renee Werts
Exalted Ruler**

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We are always looking for committee & chair members! Ever wanted to make difference by volunteering or get more involved within the Lodge but wasn't sure how to do that? Well, join a committee or head up a committee

Merry Christmas & Happy New Years!

“The magic in new beginnings is truly the most powerful of them all

—Josiyah Martin

January Interlodge is being hosted by our lodge so mark your calendars, January 20-22, 2023



*Renee Werts,
Exalted Ruler*

Arlington Lodge Hoop Shoot Contest 2022

It's time again to be thinking about Hoop Shoot. We are having our Lodge/ City contest on December 10th. The competition will be at Sam Houston High School Gym B and we will need Elks, DOES, spouses and friends of the lodge to help keep score, judge the foul line, return balls/ ball shaggers, registration, and a cheering squad. Please make plans to join in and make this another successful Elk event!

We have fun watching boys and girls, ages 8 thru 13, doing their best to sink as many baskets as possible in their 25 allotted shots.

Six local winners will proceed to the North Central District Contest on January 14th, 2023. We will also need help for this contest, but the size and time frame are smaller. Please plan to volunteer. Winners of the District Contest will advance to our State Contest on February 18th, 2023. Winners of State go to Regional on March 18th and winners of Regional become National Finalists and go to Chicago for the National Contest on April 22nd, 2023.

The contest will run differently for the lodge contest than it has in the past. We will be shooting by age group, 8-9, 10-11 and 12-13, with boys at one court and girls at the other end. We will need approximately 20 people to operate this event. The starting time will be at 12:30pm. We are planning on completing the contest by 6:00pm. The lodge will provide snacks and drinks to keep everyone energized.

Sam Houston High School is located at 2000 Sam Houston Drive, Arlington 76014 near New York Avenue and Arkansas Lane. Gym B is located on the west side of the building, the side facing Crockett Drive, and right inside the door by the parking lot. We will be setup in the hallway to register students and to provide drinks and snacks for the workers.

I am asking helpers to arrive at the contest at 12:00pm, we can also work split shifts if you can only make part of the contest.

Please call, text or email me if you are willing to help this year or if you have any questions.

Keith Stanley

TESA Hoop Shoot Director
(817) 319-2327

Keith.Stanley2327@outlook.com

YOUTH ACTIVITIES & SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

Academic Year 2022-2023

Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship (available Aug. 1, 2022)

Deadline for application submission (on-line only)..... 11:59 p.m. (PST), November 14, 2022

Apply at www.elks.org/scholars/

Elks Legacy Award (available Sept. 1, 2022)

Deadline for application submission (on-line only)..... 11:59 a.m. (CST), February 6, 2023

(For children and grandchildren of current Elks—for full qualification requirements/application, go to www.elks.org/scholars/)

Elks Emergency Education Grant (available May 1, 2022)

Deadline for filing with Grand Lodge..... November 1, 2022

(For children of deceased or totally disabled Elks—for full qualification requirements/application, go to www.elks.org/scholars/)

For all TESA Scholarships and Awards go to www.texaselks.org/scholarships/ (available September 1, 2022)

TESA Teenager of the Year Scholarship

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeFebruary 24, 2023

Postmark deadline for Lodges

to submit local selections to State Chairman.....March 10, 2023

TESA 4-Year Scholarship

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeFebruary 24, 2023

Postmark deadline for Lodges

to submit local selections to State Chairman.....March 10, 2023

TESA Essay Contest

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeFebruary 24, 2023

Postmark deadline for Lodges

to submit local selections to State Chairman.....March 10, 2023

TESA Eagle Scout Scholarship

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeMarch 10, 2023

Postmark deadline for Lodges

to submit local selections to State Chairman.....March 24, 2023

TESA Girl Scout Gold Award Scholarship

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeMarch 10, 2023

Postmark deadline for submission to State ChairmanMarch 24, 2023

TESA Vocational Grant Award

Deadline for application submission to local LodgeMarch 10, 2023

Postmark deadline for submission to State ChairmanMarch 24, 2023

Grand Lodge Scholarship Recipients posted on Grand Lodge web site late April 2023

TESA Scholarship recipients announced week of May 2, 2023

December 2022

December 2022							January 2023						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Nov 27	28	29	30	Dec 1	2	3
				5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night 7:00pm DOES Meeting	Toys for Tots 5:30pm Dinner By Kay 7:30pm Dance to Ben and Doug	9:00am Breakfast w/Santa 10:00am ChairFit
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1:00pm Elks Rest Ceremony	7:00pm PER Meeting	AL Post 60 Raffle 5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Burgers by A.L. #60 7:30pm Q of H Raffle	7:00pm Lodge Meeting, Balloting	5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night	5:30pm Dinner By Boy Scouts 7:30pm Dance to Little Beats	Antler Deadline 10:00am ChairFit
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Burgers Officers/DOES 7:30pm Q of H Raffle	6:30pm BOG/BOD Meeting	5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night 7:00pm DOES Meeting	Lodge Christmas Party 5:30pm Dinner By Lodge 7:30pm Dance to Collin Dexter	10:00am ChairFit
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	6:00pm Membership Committee Meeting (Arlington Elks Lodge) - Werts, Renee	5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Burgers by VFW 8561 7:30pm Q of H Raffle		5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night	5:30pm No Dinner/Dance	Lodge Closed
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Merry Christmas Lodge Closed		7:00 pm VFW Meeting 5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Burgers by Scouts 7:30pm Q of H Raffle		5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night 7:00pm Post 60/Aux. Meeting	5:30pm No Dinner/Dance	10:00am ChairFit 7:00pm New Year's Eve Party

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January 2023

January 2023

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February 2023

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22 9:00am Breakfast by Lodge	23	24 7:00 pm VFW Meeting 5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Burgers by Scouts 7:30pm Q of H Raffle	25 6:30pm BOD/BOG Meeting	26 5:30pm Shuffleboard 6:00pm Game Night 7:00pm Post 60/Aux./Riders Meeting	27 5:30pm Dinner By 7:30pm Dance to	28 10:00am ChairFit
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ENF grants, programs bolster communities



October brings to us many Elks activities and family fun. Let's start with the most important program in our Order, the Elks National Foundation (ENF). As your Grand Exalted Ruler, I have once again established the goal of \$4.80 per Member per capita. When you do the calculation for this goal, that's just a little over \$.01 a day. For each Lodge dollar donated, ENF could potentially repay hefty dividends for the programs offered.

Your Lodge can and should apply for the various grants to assist your communities: Beacon Grant, Gratitude Grant, Spotlight Grant, Promise Grant, Impact Grant, and Freedom Grant. Each grant has a specific deadline to apply for funding. I encourage all Lodges to take the time to educate yourselves about these grant programs.

Find some Members who would be willing to dedicate their time to apply for these worthy grants.

Other programs ENF funds include: Scholarships, Youth Activities, Veterans Service, Elks Veterans Memorial maintenance, and much more. It is very important to let our Members know about the great work ENF does. A fine way of "*Promoting Elkdom With Enthusiasm*" is to support the Great Heart of Elkdom. The Elks' mission is to build stronger communities and ENF provides the resources to fulfill this mission. I charge you to get out into your communities with great pride and show them what the Elks do for them. For more information about the Elks National Foundation, go to elks.org/enf.

Another important program we must focus our attention on is Red Ribbon Week. This is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program. Red Ribbon Week is celebrated annually from October 23 to October 31. There are many ways to celebrate Red Ribbon Week in your communities. Have your local elected officials issue a proclamation declaring a Red Ribbon Week. Have your Members distribute red ribbons to our schools and encourage Members, friends and loved ones to wear red ribbons.

Today, Drug Awareness has become an even greater challenge as we continue to fight the horrors of drug abuse and addiction. The staggering number that comes to mind is that in the United States alone, there have been nearly 71,000 overdose deaths each year. The amount of deaths from drug overdoses is the reason why the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks takes such a hard stand to prevent and educate our youth and adults. The Elks will always be there to support hugs are better than drugs. I can't think of any better way of "*Promoting Elkdom With Enthusiasm*" than to work hard to stop these dreaded drug diseases.

October is also a time when most people enjoy a nice fall holiday with Columbus Day. Finally, October 31 is known as Halloween. A day and night when the ghosts and ghouls come out. Our children get to enjoy putting on their favorite costumes to go trick or treating. Please be safe when going door to door and stay in neighborhoods that you know well.

God bless all of you, God bless our troops past and present, and, most of all, God bless America

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“Anchored in the Past”

I was finally able to finish up my visitations in late October, just in time to go to the Fall Conference.

The Header Hat is off to the TESA conference selection

committee that selected the Marriott Sugarland for the Conference. It was a great place to hold this event. It was well attended and I think everyone had good time. I hope that all of you had a great Thanksgiving and was able to spend some valuable time with family. Family time is precious.

“Embracing the Future”.....with enthusiasm!

We are moving into the Christmas Holiday season. What a great opportunity for all Lodges to get involved with your communities. Angel Trees, Veteran’s food events, Toys for Tots, etc. The lists go on where we can get involved and help out. I don’t know about you, but I get a really good feeling when I do something.

“Down the Road”

December also brings the beginning of the “Hoop Shoot” competition. I have heard that some of you are having trouble getting a venue for your event and I sincerely hope all of that will get worked out.

Also Youth Activities and Scholarship Deadlines will be here before you know it. Don’t forget about Interlodge in January 21-22, 2023. This will be held at Arlington Lodge 2114.

That is all for now.

REMEMBER: “AN ELKS LODGE IS THE LIGHTHOUSE IN THE STORM”

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★ ★ **BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING** ★ ★



Studies have shown that volunteering on a regular basis has numerous personal health benefits! Increased physical and mental activity has been shown to add to life longevity and overall health. Social benefits include making new friends, being part of a team, and feeling needed as you make an impact on people's lives. Gain a sense of pride, satisfaction and achievement by giving back to society and serving those who have served!



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