



Message from the Exalted Ruler, Cindie Pridy

We have initiated several new members into the lodge and I want to welcome each of them and hope they enjoy meeting new friends and all the activities we offer. Your grant committee (Joy Olmos, Johanna Ortiz, Martha Gutierrez, and Cindie Pridy) hit the ground running and received one of the early Freedom Grants that was used to support the VA's annual 2k Walk and Roll and provide gift cards for veterans. The Beacon grant has also been approved and the Veteran's Pool Party will be coming up soon.

Mother's Day we did something a bit different and held the ceremony and dinner on Friday night instead of Sunday so members could celebrate with family on Sunday. The change was well received as we had record attendance! Finally, we celebrated Memorial Day and the official opening of our newly renovated pool with a massive barbecue of brisket, chicken, and, sausage.

At the district level we ended our current sweetheart's reign at the Charity Ball held in Galveston. It was a wonderful evening and all thanks to Troy Lynn Betenbaugh for a record breaking year as sweetheart. She also coordinated a bus for all of us to take to Galveston which was a blast! Our new sweetheart is Melba Doonan. Let's give her all the help and support we can for another record year.

Lastly, the Texas State Convention is coming up the beginning of the month followed by the National Convention the end of the month. Texas will have a ritual team competing at Nationals and it will be from Houston 151! The team has been working hard so let's all wish them well on this very exciting journey.

Fraternity Yours,

Cindie Pridy
Exalted Ruler





FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

It's Convention Season. First the TESA Convention this month and the Grand Lodge Convention in July. Reports on these conventions will be coming in following months.

The swimming pool has been completely resurfaced and is ready for use. Come out and enjoy.

Through the hard work and dedication of the membership committee, we have already reduced the number of delinquent members significantly. If you haven't sent in your dues yet, please do. Remember if any member needs financial assistance with their dues, let the Secretary know and we will be able to help.

NEW MEMBERS. We have some great new members who are already taking active roles within our Lodge. We still need more, so don't be bashful, ask a friend or neighbor to join us in the great work we do and in the fun that we have in doing it.

Watch the calendar and come out and support some great activities that we have planned for this year.

Hope to see you soon at our great Lodge, and as always thanks for all that you do for our Lodge and our great order.

Fraternally,

Jim Grissom
Secretary and Gulf Coast District Leader



FROM THE SWEETHEART

Hello everyone, Melba here.

This month will be my one year anniversary of being an Elk. Thank all of you for making me feel welcome into your Elks family.

As this year's sweetheart, I plan on raising lots of money for the kiddos. As I get out into the community I hope to let everyone know who Elks are and our purpose. In doing so, I hope it will encourage people to join us and become part of our Elk's family.

Heads up, I would like to have a Hawaiian pool party with a Spam cookoff. It's in the formative stage, for now. I will follow up with details on the bulletin board.

Elks care. Elks share

Melba Doonan
Sweetheart



Message from the Lecturing Knight

The station of Lecturing Knight is dedicated to brotherly love which is an expression of the Golden Rule, the foundation of our order. As a group, we demonstrate our belief in this precept with our monetary support and volunteer service for the Texas Elks Childrens' Camp, ENF, Hoop Shoot, Veterans and other groups. However, our membership in this order calls us to practice the Golden rule among ourselves which can be more difficult as it is so close and personal. When we help people, we don't know well we're not blinded to their needs by their imperfections. Also, it is our nature to expect more of those we are close to and become impatient with them. I once heard a man explain to his pastor "Oh, I love mankind, it's just some people I can't stand". We need remember it is to all our lodge members we owe brotherly love and that "The faults of our Members we write upon the sand, their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory." Sometimes we all need to go to the beach in our minds and let the tide roll in and refresh our relationships.

Fraternally,

Susan Midyett
Lecturing Knight



Message from the Board of Directors

This month, we celebrate the Elks members for their exceptional efforts in fostering a sense of belonging and making a tangible difference in the lives of many. From charitable fundraisers to community outreach programs, the Elks Lodge stands as a pillar of support and goodwill.

One of the most inspiring aspects of the Elks member's work is their dedication to supporting veterans. Through various initiatives such as Veterans Assistance Programs and Veterans Recognition Ceremonies, they honor and assist those who have bravely served our country. Whether it's providing financial aid, organizing events, or simply lending a listening ear, the Elks member ensures that veterans receive the respect and support they rightfully deserve. Moreover, the Elks member doesn't limit its benevolent endeavors to veterans alone. Their commitment to youth development is equally commendable. Through scholarships, mentorship programs, and youth events, they empower the next generation, nurturing leadership skills and fostering a sense of responsibility towards the community.

But perhaps what truly sets the Elks member apart is their inclusivity and spirit of camaraderie. Regardless of age, background, or circumstance, everyone is welcomed with open arms. Whether it's organizing community dinners, hosting social events, or simply providing a space for fellowship, the Elks members cultivate a sense of belonging that is truly heartwarming.

In closing, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Elks members for their ongoing commitment to service and community. They are not just an organization; they are beacons of hope, compassion, and kindness in our midst, making our community a better place for all. Let us join hands in celebrating their noble work and continue to support their endeavors for the betterment of society.

Sally DiPalma, PDDGER
3 Year Trustee





John Gerber
Jim Grissom
Lynn Harris
Rachel Agriesti
Daughter in Law of Alexanne Albert
Daughter in Law of Jack and Earline Grabbe
Bonnie Griffies
Mother of Terry Doig
Daughter of Debra Cooper
Sister of Martha Gutierrez
Kristen Dube
Mother of Dan Dube



Happy Birthday!

Birthdays for the Month of JUNE

02	William Wilbanks
06	Clayton E. Moore
08	Amber Lindsey
10	Anna Sand
11	James R. Arnold
13	Charles Goodson
	Christopher Novak
15	David Paul Craven
	Linda Garcia
19	Richard Davis
20	Mike Cain
21	Robert M. Englander
22	Karen Gautney
	Stephanie L. Nolan
25	Robert Borham
	Deborah Bowen
	Bryan Hebert
26	Josh Lister
27	Elizabeth Baily
28	Thomas D. Williams
30	David B. Warren



UPCOMING EVENTS

Watch for email and Facebook updates and the weekly "What's Happening"

JUNE 2024

June 4	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
June 7	Steak Night 6pm
June 6-9	TESA State Convention
June 11	No Lodge Meeting
June 14	Flag Day Ceremony w/ Dinner to follow
June 16	Father's Day Ceremony and Cookout Noon
June 18	Friends of 151 Meeting 5pm
	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
June 21	Friends of 151 Dinner 6pm \$11
	<i>Meatloaf, Mashed Potato, Green Beans & Dessert</i>
June 22	Veterans Pool Party
June 26	No Lodge Meeting

JULY 2024

July 2	No Lodge Meeting
July 4	4th of July Party w/ Hotdogs and Cake Walk by Friends of 151
	Hot Dog, Chip, & Cookie \$8noon—4pm & Cake Walk 1:30-3pm
June 30 - July 1-3	Grand Lodge Convention in Austin
July 5	Steak Night 6pm
July 9	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
July 12	ENF Dinner
July 13	Chili Cook off and Amber Lindsey's Graduation Party
July 16	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
July 20	GC District Picnic at Galveston Lodge
July 23	Lodge Meeting 7:30 pm
July 30	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm

AUGUST 2024

Aug 2	Steak Night 6pm
Aug 3	Party of the Plaza @ Stafford Elem Youth Event
Aug 6	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
Aug 10	Inter Lodge at Clear Lake Lodge
Aug 11	VP & DD Clinics at Clear Lake Lodge
Aug 13	No Lodge Meeting
Aug 20	Lodge Meeting 7:30pm
Aug 24	PER Vegas Night
Aug 27	No Lodge Meeting
September 1	Labor Day BBQ Party

Queen of Hearts Wednesday @ 6:30pm and Friday @ 7pm

Wednesday Wings n Things 5pm

Thursday BINGO 7pm (gates open at 6pm)

Mother's Day Service and Dinner



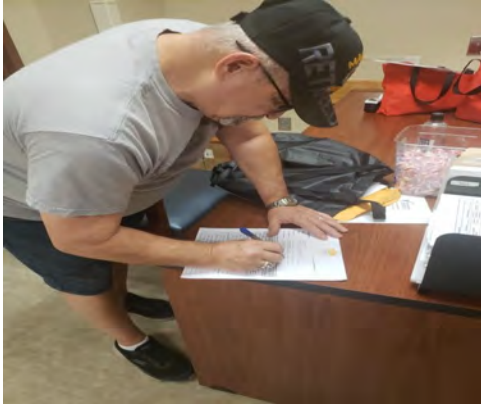
Congratulations and Thank you Troy Lynn for all of your hard work and representing Houston 151 as our 2023-2024 Sweetheart



Memorial Day at the National Cemetery



VA Walk—Roll A Thon



Memorial Day BBQ at the Lodge



Memorial Day BBQ at the Lodge



LODGE OFFICERS 2024- 2025

Exalted Ruler	Cindie Pridy
Est. Leading Knight	Richard Novak Jr.
Est. Loyal Knight	Jack Grabbe, PER
Est. Lecturing Knight	Susan Midyett
Secretary	Jim Grissom, PDDGER SRDL
Treasurer	Lynn Harris
Tiler	Mike Betenbaugh, PER
Esquire	Ramona Mishaga, PER,PFL
Chaplain	Chris Novak
Inner Guard	Troy Lynn Betenbaugh
1-Year Trustee	Andy Mishaga, PSP, PDDGER
2-Year Trustee	Martha Gutierrez
3-Year Trustee	Sally DiPalma, PDDGER
4-Year Trustee	Ann Grissom
5-Year Trustee	Brian BY Youngs



**Bingo is at the Lodge every
Thursday doors open at 6pm!
Volunteers are needed...
Contact Joy Olmos**

COMMITTEE CHAIRS/COORDINATORS 2024-2025

Accident Prevention	Brian BY Youngs
Americanism	Charles Betenbaugh, PER
Auditing & Accounting	Ken Boyd PDDGER
Bar Manager	Ann Grissom
Bingo	Joy Olmos, PDDGER
Community Activities	Cindie Pridy
Dinner Committee	Troy Lynn Betenbaugh
Drug Awareness	Richard Novak Jr.
Elks Memorial Day	Ramona Mishaga, PER, PFL
Elks National Foundation	Susan Midyett
Flag Day	Lowell Nienast PER
Fraternal Comm.	Jim Grissom PDDGER SRDL
Friends of 151	Karen Schulz & Sue O'Neil
Government Relations	John Atwood, SDGER,
Hoop Shoot	Ken Boyd PDDGER
Kitchen Manager	Renay Bennett, PER
Lodge Activities	Cindy Harris
Lodge Bulletin	Ramona Mishaga, PER, PFL
Membership	Renay Bennett, PER
Membership Retention	Jim Grissom, PDDGER,SRDL
Veterans Service	Charles Dingas & Kara Leos
PER Association	Lowell Nienast, PER
Public Relations	Ramona Mishaga, PER, PFL
Ritual	Mike Callahan, PSP
Special Services	Ramona Mishaga, PER, PFL
Standing Relief Comm	Cindie Pridy
State Major Project	Melba Doonan
Youth Activities	Richard Novak Jr. & Lynn Harris



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JUNE 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Lodge Closed	4 Officer Cook 6pm Shepherds Pie \$11 Membership Mtg 7pm Lodge Mtg 7:30pm w/ PER Mtg to follow	5 No Wings n Things No Drawing	6 BINGO 7 pm	7 Steak Night Dinner 6pm \$10 No Drawing	8
9	10 Lodge Closed	11 No Lodge Meeting	12 Wings n Things 5-6:15pm Queen of ♡ 6:30pm	13 BINGO 7pm House Committee and Board Meeting 6:30 pm	14 🇺🇸 Flag Day Service 6pm with an All American Dinner to follow Queen of ♡ 7pm	15 Tracks Article Deadline
16 Happy Father's Day Father's Day Service at Noon <i>Then Grill what you Bring by the Pool</i>	17 Lodge Closed	18 Friends of 151 Meeting 5pm Dinner 6pm \$11 Lodge Meeting 7:30pm	19 Prudential Spaghetti Luncheon Hall Rental OOD Sally D. Wings n Things 5-6:15pm Queen of ♡ 6:30pm	20 BINGO 7pm	21 Dinner 6pm \$ 11 Meatloaf, Mashed Potato, & Green Beans by Friends of 151 Queen of ♡ 7pm Colin Dexter Show @ Katy	22 Veterans Pool Party (Kara L.)
23	24 Lodge Closed	25 No Lodge Meeting	26 Wings n Things 5-6:15pm Queen of ♡ 6:30pm	27 BINGO 7pm	28 Queen of ♡ 7pm	29
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