



Elks Lodge

April 2009



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, North Wilkesboro Lodge #1846

Message From The GER

New Exalted Rulers face leadership challenge!

To All District Deputies, Exalted Rulers, Officers and Members:

Congratulations to the new Officers of the Lodges for the 2009-2010 Lodge year. You each have accepted a responsible and challenging job for the next twelve months. The membership of your Lodge has expressed their confidence in your individual and collective abilities to lead, as well as their trust that under your leadership the integrity of your Lodge will be protected and that the Lodge will prosper and grow through the coming year.

Hopefully, by this time your goals are set, your plan of action formulated, responsibilities assigned and work is under way to ensure the success of your Lodge operation, the programs of our Order and involvement in your community.

The February ENF "Vital Signs" had a section about "Leading the Way," which stressed the "Leadership Challenge" as related to donating to the ENF by the leadership at all levels of our Order. And while all leaders at all levels should definitely be participants in our ENF, this "Leadership Challenge" and "Leading the Way" most certainly apply to all aspects of leadership and specifically as related to the responsibilities and duties of the Exalted Ruler and other Officers of the Lodge.

The "Leadership Challenge" in simple terms is making a commitment, understanding your responsibilities and then doing the job as best you can. You should be knowledgeable about our Order and its operational requirements. You should understand the operational aspects of your Lodge, and you should have a good ability to work with people. Probably your biggest challenge is to fully understand the requirements and limits involved in the proper operation of your Lodge, as well as how your responsibilities will affect that operation to ultimately achieve a successful outcome.

If you are not sure about anything, ask for guidance. At all levels of our Order, from the Lodge to Grand Lodge, there are knowledgeable Elks ready and willing to give you proper guidance. Please don't hesitate to ask! There are no dumb questions, only dumb actions when you don't know what you are doing. And finally, always lead by example.

Best wishes to each Elk in a leadership position. The success of your Lodge, the success of our Order, and our ability to Grow Elksdom depends on your actions and how you fulfill your responsibilities.

Faternally,

Paul D. Helsel, Grand Exalter Ruler

ER's Message

Greetings to all of the brothers and sisters in Elksdom. On Saturday, April 4, our Lodge will celebrate the accomplishments of our Hoop Shoot Program. All first, second and third place winners in the North Wilkesboro Hoop Shoot will be at our lodge along with their parents. This is one of those great times of the year when we get to honor all of these wonderful kids.

I invite all 400 of our Elks to invite a friend or spouse to attend this celebration. Our guest speaker will be the number 4 all-time scorer in the women's basketball at Gardner-Webb University. After a brief program we will have our Saturday morning feast of Janice's great country breakfast. For just \$5.00 you get a meal worth at least \$10.00 at any other restaurant. And you get to enjoy the festivities and fellowship. In case you have other things planned for the day, we will be out of there by 9:45. What a way to start the day!

The food in our Lodge continues to improve and for a small membership fee, people can have a great meal any Monday, Thursday, Friday or Saturday evening. Also, the lodge is open for lunch on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and the third Sunday.

Remember, as members of the North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge, you are welcome at any Shag club event at our facility.

We all need to invite friends and acquaintances to join our Lodge (I'm talking to myself too). The more our Lodge grows, the more that we can do to improve our facilities and give to charities.

Faternally,

Kenneth Foster, Exalted Ruler

Lodge Meetings and Events

- Breakfast Meeting – Saturday, April 4, 8:30 am
- Trash Pickup – Tuesday, April 7, 6:00 pm
- Easter Sunday Buffet – April 12, Open 11:30 am
- Lodge Meeting – Thursday, April 16, 7:00 pm
- Third Sunday Buffet – April 19, Open 11:30 am

Semi-Annual Elks Lodge Adopt A Highway Trash Pickup

Jerry Strader has set Tuesday, April 7th for the Spring Trash Pickup. Please meet in the parking lot of the State Employees Credit Union on Brushy Mountain Road at 6:00 pm sharp if you wish to help. We will pick up trash along the scenic and beautiful Brushy Mountain highway for one half hour; then we will spend one hour at the tailgate of Boyce Cheatwood's pickup truck telling tall tales and celebrating. All Elks members are invited to participate.

Caps For Sale

The Elk's Lodge has new caps for sale. The caps are Khaki with purple lettering saying "North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge." Selected for gardeners, yard people, fishermen and golfers the caps will not show dirt easily. Purple is one of the colors for the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The price for these attractive caps is just \$15, while supplies last. The caps will be on sale during Elks meetings.

Did You Know?

- that your North Wilkesboro Elk's Lodge now has wireless internet available for your business and personal meetings? Please see Janice Vanderslice to book your luncheon or dinner meetings.
- that the email address for the NW Elk's Lodge is nwelks1846@charterinternet.com? If you have any Elks information that the Lodge Secretary or other officers need to know please send an email or call Larry Barnes @ 336-452-4636. Please help us to be informed about any Elk's member who is sick, distressed or deceased so that we may share that news with other members.
- that the Lodge has recently completed a member software program change from ELMS to CLEMS mandated by the Grand Lodge? We need the following information on all active members: Proposer; Initiation Date; Birth Date; Veteran Information and your e-mail address. Please be sure to send this information in with your member dues. If you did not please email it to us at the email address above.
- that a portion of your membership dues goes directly to the Grand Lodge? A total of \$14.00 per member is sent to the Grand Lodge for the Elks Magazine (\$3.50); insurance (\$3.00); Grand Lodge Dues (\$7.50). Also \$3.00 per member is sent to the NC State Elks Lodge.

Who knew????? Now we all do!!

Restaurant News



The Lodge restaurant will have two wonderful Sunday Lunch buffets in April. There will be a special Easter Buffet on Sunday, April 12th beginning at 11:30 a.m. Please contact Janice for reservations. You know this will be a wonderful meal and what better way to spend Easter lunch than with your family and friends in the special atmosphere of the Lodge restaurant. The regular 3rd Sunday Buffet will be on April 19th. Reservations requested. Thanks to Janice and her staff for the wonderful food and service they provide Elk's members.

LODGE NOTES:

- Please continue to remember our sick and distressed Elks and their family members in your thoughts and prayers. Walter McSwain, Ray Johnson and Jerry Cheek.
- Your 2009-2010 Membership Dues Statements have been mailed. Some have been returned undeliverable by the post office. If you did not receive your Dues Statement please contact Larry Barnes with your current address.
- The 2009-2010 Member Cards have not been received. We are expecting to receive those at any time now and will get those in the mail as soon as possible.
- There will be a special guest speaker, Delaina Smith, at the April 4th Saturday morning meeting. Delaina is the #4 all time leading scorer in women's basketball at Gardner-Webb University and the former assistant basketball coach for women's basketball at Appalachian State University. Delaina currently serves as assistant principal at Central Wilkes Middle School. The Lodge will be hosting all the Hoop Shoot 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners with their families at this meeting.
- Elks Lodge Officers for 2009-10 will be installed at the April 4th Saturday morning meeting. Come out and meet your officers.
- Don't forget the special Easter Buffet which will be held on Sunday, April 12th. Reservations are highly recommended.
- There will also be the regular third Sunday buffet on April 19th.

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Brushy Mountain Shag Club

The Brushy Mountain Shag Club hosts a dance at the North Wilkesboro Elk's Lodge once a month and on other special occasions. All Elk's members are invited to attend the Lodge and join the Shag Club during these events. Dance..Dance..Dance

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN SHAG CLUB
2009 DANCE SCHEDULE
@ NW ELKS LODGE

Fri. April 3 - Bunny Hop with Mac Mast
Sat. May 9 -
Sat. June 27 - Smooth Summer Blues with Larry "Bigfish" Calhoun
Sat. July 25 - Luau & Tiki Party with Gene Hensley
Sat. Aug. 8 - Shama Lama Party with Danny Kimrey
Sat. Sept. 5 - September Stroll - Steve Coley
Sat. Oct. 10 - Fall Back and Boogie with Neal Schultz/Chip Boykin
Sat. Oct 31 - Shag-O-Ween Costume Dance with Gene Hensley
Sat. Nov 14 - Shut Up and Shag Party with Roy Childress
Fri. Dec 4 - Christmas Dinner and Dance with Steve Coley
Thurs. Dec. 31 - New Years Eve Party with Gene Hensley

You may contact Tim Hauser @ 336-838-4144 for more information about Brushy Mountain Shag Club events.



Bill Fletcher and Walter Broyhill

Outstanding Service Commendations

Bill Fletcher and Walter Broyhill were presented certificates for "Outstanding Service Commendations" by Kenneth Foster, ER at the March 7th breakfast meeting. Bill and Walter have provided many years of outstanding service to the North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge. Many thanks from your fellow Lodge members.

High Tech Elks

The Elk's Lodge has now gone "High Tech." We now have wireless internet service. Business and government groups are invited to hold sales meetings, workshops, and conferences at our lodge. Contact Janice at 838-8591 to schedule your meeting. She can provide delicious meals and refreshments for your meetings.



New Board Of Trustees Chairman

Paul Holbrook has been elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 2009-2010. The Board of Trustees handles the financial structure of the Lodge and can enter in business contracts.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Lunch Only Open 11:30 am	2 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	3 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm Shag Club Dance - Bunny Hop	4 Breakfast Mtg @ 8:30 am Hoop Shoot Recognition/Installation of Officers Dinner Special Open 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm
5 Lodge Closed	6 Pasta Night Happy Hour 6-7pm	7 Trash Pickup @ 6 pm SECU Brushy Mtn. Rd. Lodge Closed	8 Lunch Only Open 11:30 am	9 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	10 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	11 Dinner Special Open 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm
12 Easter Buffet Open 11:30 am	13 Pasta Night Happy Hour 6-7pm	14 Lodge Closed	15 Lunch Only Open 11:30 am	16 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm Lodge Mtg @ 7 pm	17 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	18 Dinner Special Open 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm
19 3rd Sunday Buffet Open 11:30 am	20 Pasta Night Happy Hour 6-7pm	21 Lodge Closed	22 Lunch Only Open 11:30 am	23 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	24 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm	25 Dinner Special Open 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm
26 Lodge Closed	27 Pasta Night Happy Hour 6-7pm	28 Lodge Closed	29 Lunch Only Open 11:30 am	30 Lunch - 11:30 am Dinner - 5:30 pm Happy Hour 6-7pm		