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May 2009



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



## 2009 Hoop Shoot Awards

The winners of the 2009 Hoop Shoot were awarded trophies at the April 4th Saturday morning meeting. The Elks Lodge is proud to be the sponsor of this community event and appreciate all those who participated this year. Congratulations to all our winners.

The 2009 Hoop Shoot Winners are:

- Boys 12/13: First Place – Landon Stanley (North Middle);  
Second Place – Calvin Shomaker (Central Middle);  
Third Place – Devan Shell (West Middle)
- Girls 12/13: First Place – Kelly Johnson (East Middle);  
Second Place – Erin Dancy (West Middle);  
Third Place – Erin Cothren (Central Middle)
- Boys 10/11: First Place – David Corpening (Central Middle);  
Second Place – Dashawn Francis (CC Wright);  
Third Place – Dillon Brown (Traphill)
- Girls 10/11: First Place – Leah Church (Home School);  
Second Place – Brianna Shelton (Mt. Pleasant);  
Third Place – Chealsea Edwards (Roaring River)
- Boys 8/9: First Place – Tripp Greene (Wilkesboro);  
Second Place – Landon Osborne (CB Eller);  
Third Place – Alan Royal (Roaring River)
- Girls 8/9: First Place – Haylee Costellonos (Wilkesboro);  
Second Place – Lakyn Sparks;  
Third Place – Madison Lester (Ronda Clingman)

## ER's Message

On April 16, 2009 we finished an end-of-the-year annual report for our North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge. Our lodge shared with our community in many ways. For example, we gave 8,000 "Be Drug Free" wristbands to students in grades kindergarten through eight grade; over 1,000 fourth and fifth grade students participated in our Drug Abuse Prevention Essay Contest; 4,000 students participated in our Hoop Shoot program; forty high school students participated in our Elks Quiz Bowl contest and eleven students received scholarships through our lodge...just to mention a few of our programs.

For adults our lodge continues to participate in the Adopt-A-Highway program. Many civic and community groups meet in our lodge; including the Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, Rotary Club, Retired Teachers, Retired Federal Government Employees, Shag Club, Home Builders, political groups and many more.

Our lodge continues to make a difference in our community!

The membership of each and every Elk is appreciated.

A new Elk year began on April 1, 2009. Each member is invited to attend our Saturday breakfast meeting on the first Saturday of every month. We have a short business meeting, a short program and the best breakfast in town for only \$5.00. Bring a spouse, son, or daughter and meet with us. We also have a brief meeting on the third Thursday evening of every month. Come and share the fellowship and discussions.

I continue to remember the Principles of our Order: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity.

Fraternally yours,

Kenneth Foster, Exalted Ruler

### Lodge Meetings and Events

- Breakfast Meeting – Saturday, May 2, 8:30 am
- Mother's Day Buffet – Sunday, May 10, Open 11:30 am
- Annual High School Quiz Bowl – Thursday, May 14, 7:00 pm
- Third Sunday Buffet – Sunday, May 17, Open 11:30 am
- Lodge Meeting – Thursday, May 21, 7:00 pm

## Elks National Foundation

The North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge contributed \$5.27 per capita to the Elks National Foundation during the 2008-09 year. This exceeds the Grand Exalted Ruler's 2008-09 per capital goal of \$4.50 per member. Our Lodge is now eligible for an Elks National Foundation Gratitude Grant of up to \$500. This grant should go to a charity in our community. Feel free to make suggestions about how to spend this \$500 at our May 2 meeting. We will be submitting our grant proposal in mid-May. Thanks to Joe Ware for coordinating our Elks National Foundation program and thanks to all members who contributed to this wonderful organization.

## Wilkes Community Foundation Raffle

Bill Fletcher has reported that the North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge will again partner with the Wilkes Community Foundation on their annual raffle ticket sale. The Wilkes Community Foundation does a lot of good things for our community. For every ticket that our Lodge members sell or buy, the Lodge will receive half of the money. The dinner and raffle drawing will take place on Saturday, June 13th. Go ahead and mark your calendar for this date and get your tickets early.



## Special Elks Awards

Kenneth Foster presented awards to Paul Holbrook - Citizen of the Year; Nelson Martin - Elk of the Year; Walter McSwain - Officer of the Year; Jerry Strader - Outstanding Service Accommodation. Please extend a special "Thank You" to these Elk members who give so much of their time to the Lodge.

## Mother's Day Buffet – Sunday, May 10th

Don't forget the Mother's Day Buffet on May 10 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Bring your mother and the entire family to enjoy a wonderful meal with Janice and her staff at the Elks Lodge Restaurant. What a way to treat your mother and no clean up or dishes to do afterwards! Make your reservations early so they know how many to plan for.

## Caps For Sale

North Wilkesboro Elks Lodge caps may be purchased at the May 2 meeting. The attractive caps are priced at \$15 each.

## Lodge And Community Notes:

- Saturday, May 2 - Breakfast meeting. Guest speaker will be Alvin Sturdivant, who will speak to us about "hiking."
- Sunday, May 10 – Mother's Day Buffet – Open 11:30 am
- Thursday, May 14 – 7:00 pm – Annual High School Quiz Bowl Tournament will be held at the Lodge. Come out and support your favorite high school team.
- Sunday, May 17 – Third Sunday Buffet, Open 11:30 am
- Monday, May 25, Memorial Day – Remember those who have served!
- Sunday, June 14 – Flag Day
- Wilkes Community Foundation Raffle – Coming in June. Our Lodge will partner with this charitable group. See one of your trustees or officers for tickets.
- OliverFest – Coming to North Wilkesboro this summer. The music of Oliver, known to local folks as Bill Swofford, will be remembered.

## Elkslodge Advertisers

Please take time to notice the wonderful folks who advertise in our monthly Elkslodge. These businesses make it possible for the lodge to distribute this newsletter to every member including our widows each month. Visit or call these businesses when you are in need of their products or services and let them know that you appreciate their support. We are in need of some new persons or businesses to advertise for this year. If you own a business or provide a service and would like to place your ad here please contact Paul Holbrook or any Elks Trustee for more information. For a small yearly fee your information is at the fingertips of approximately 400 homes and/or businesses each month. What a deal!!!

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# Memorial Day, May 25

Please take time to remember those who have served our country; not only on Memorial Day but everyday. Our freedom was and is not free. Men and women across our nation continue to lay down their lives so that we might have freedom in the United States. Please don't take them for granted.

*We cherish too, the Poppy red  
That grows on fields where valor led,  
It seems to signal to the skies  
That blood of heroes never dies.  
Moina Michael*

## Sick And Distressed

(If you know of someone we need to add to our prayer list please contact Larry Barnes or Kenneth Foster)

- Please continue to remember Jerry Cheek in your prayers.



## Elks Adopt-A-Highway Completed

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the spring roadside clean-up. The following members helped to pick up trash and beautify Brushy Mountain Road on Tuesday, April 7. Carter Perkins, Dan Nichols, Jerry Strader, Nelson Martin and Kenneth Foster. The fall pickup will be held on Tuesday, October 6th. Please mark your calendars for this important community event.



## 2009-2010 North Wilkesboro Elks Officers

These officers were installed at the April 4th Saturday meeting. (front row) Kenneth Foster, Exalted Ruler; Gilbert Ellis, Lecturing Knight; Larry Pendry, Esquire; Kent Burchette, Loyal Knight (second row) Nelson Martin, Trustee/Chaplain; Paul Holbrook, Trustee Chairman; Walter Broyhill, Treasurer; Bill Dillard, Tiler; Larry Barnes, Secretary. Please remember to thank all your local Elks officers.

## Trivia Question:

What does the North Wilkesboro Lodge have that the Charlotte Convention Center does not have?

Answer: wireless internet

### Elks News

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