



# ELKS BRIEF



## DENISON 238

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Downtown/Main Lodge

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301 W Gandy St.

Denison, Texas 75020

Lakesite Social Quarters and Rv Campground

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298 Elks Blvd.

Pottsboro, Texas 75076

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# DECEMBER

# 2023



"So long as there are Veterans, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them."

The Lodge meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month with the exception of July, November and December when the Lodge meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday only. The Lodge is located at:

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3-Yr Trustee - John Dooley  
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## MESSAGE FROM THE EXALTED RULER

Thank you to our House Committee and Volunteer Cooks for doing a great job on the Veterans Day fish fry! What a way to show our veterans that Elks care! The Veterans Day Golf Cart Parade was a success. Thank you to John Dooley for decorating your ride.

December 3rd is Elks Memorial Service Downtown at 2pm, this is a time we remember our loved ones we lost come down and show support to the families. December 7th, like the Great President said "A day that will go down in our hearts never to forget", so let's show our support for our loved ones that were lost.

Fraternally yours,

Ron Engelke

Exalted Ruler

## FROM THE SECRETARY

I want to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday Season. If you or someone you know will be alone this holiday season, please know that the Lakesite Lodge will be open Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Please, come out and celebrate the holidays amongst friends.

As a reminder, Lot Lease semi-annual and quarterly payments are due January 1, 2024. Statements will be mailed out the second week of December.

Fraternally yours,

Nancy Dooley

Secretary





# December 2023

## Downtown

903-465-9610

Hours: CLOSED Sundays/Mon-Sat 5p-8p


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1		2 Hoop Shoot @ Boys/Girls Club 9am
3 Elks Memorial 2pm	4 Membership Meeting 6pm	5 Tacos 6pm	6 Investigation Meeting 6pm	7 Game Night 6pm	8 Burger Night 6pm	9
10	11 House Committee Meeting 6pm	12 Board of Directors Meeting 6pm	13 Lodge Meeting 7pm	14 Game Night 6pm	15 Toys For Tots Dinner 6pm	16 Christmas Party 6pm Potluck and Gift Exchange
17	18	19	20	21 Game Night 6pm	22	23
24 CLOSED	25 CLOSED 	26	27 NO MEETING	28 Game Night 6pm	29	30
31 CLOSED 						

# December 2023

## Lakesite

903-786-2487

Hours: Sundays 4p-10p/Mon-Wed 4p-10p/Thurs 4p-11p/Fri 4p-12a/Sat 4p-1a

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Pizza Night by the slice 6pm	2 Hamburger Casserole 6pm Janet and Bev Karaoke
3 Elks Memorial Service 2pm Downtown	4	5	6	7 Beef Stew & Cornbread by Ron and Bev Darts 7pm	8 Toys for Tots Dinner Free Meal w/ unwrapped gift Spaghetti Dinner 6pm	9 Pancake & Sausage Dinner 6pm Shuffleboard 7pm Karaoke 8pm
10	11 House Committee D/T 6pm	12 Board of Directors Meeting D/T 6pm	13 Lodge Meeting D/T 7pm	14 Dinner TBA Darts 7pm	15 Sweetheart Dinner TBA 6pm	16 Christmas Party Brisket Dinner by Wayne 6pm *Gift Exchange Karaoke 8pm
17	18	19	20	21 Dinner TBA Darts 7pm	22 Chicken Cordon Bleu by Brie 6pm	23 TBA 6PM Shuffleboard 7pm Karaoke 8pm
24 Christmas Caroling for Veterans by Jeff James	25 Merry Christmas 	26	27 NO LODGE MEETING	28 Dinner TBA Darts 7pm	29 TBA 6PM	30 Shuffleboard 7pm Karaoke 8pm
31 New Year's Eve Party Band 8p-12a Mexican Dinner by Tabitha 6pm		Christmas Party Gift Exchange Gift Limit \$20	*Gift Exchange @ 8pm, please turn in gift by 7:45 to participate			

## DELINQUENT LIST

004776 Jessica Atwood	004415 Clarice Driggs	002890 Henry Salisbury
004704 Francesca Auberry	004180 Glenn Egger	004643 Sergio Silva
002103 Robert Ballard	004590 James Harlan	004719 Trevor Smith
002443 Alan Blankenship	004358 Sharon Loveless	004471 Ricky Stephenson
002490 Roy Branch	004693 Danny Mahan	004387 Dwight Travis
004384 Charlie Cole	002696 Ray Maine	004675 James Vandever
004738 Shelia Culbertson	002845 Mike McCullough	004671 Roger Winter
004104 Billy Dickerson	004401 Travis Nobles	004672 Ronda Winter
004572 James Dolezalek	004448 Eunice Overman	004736 Joanne Wood
004462 Jerry Dorsey	004468 Doyle Roy	002333 Donald Youngblood
004766 William Downey	004723 Adrianna Salgado	

## PROPERTIES FOR SALE

### 1) 19 Red Almon Dr:

2 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Includes washer/dryer and refrigerator. If interested call Jared Howell at 214-497-6063

### 2) 48 Veteran Blvd:

3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Screened in Front Porch, Single Car Garage, Storage Building with Electricity, Carport. If interested contact Cynthia Rhodes at 214-908-2496

### 3) 127 Justice Lane:

Handyman Fixer-upper. \$40,000. If interested contact Kandis Fedor 903-718-7570

### 4) 52 Ottine Lane:

Carport, Covered Deck w/ New Roof, New 200 Amp Pole. \$39,500.

If interested contact Robert or Janet Chaney 580-504-8682

## WEEKLY DINNERS AND ACTIVITIES

### DOWNTOWN

**Tuesdays– Taco Night 6pm See calendar for dates**

**Thursdays– Game Night 6pm**

**Fridays–Burger Night 6pm See calendar for dates**

### LAKESITE

**Thursdays–Dinner and Darts 6pm**

**Fridays–Dinner and Game Night 6pm**

**Saturdays– Shuffleboard 7pm**

**Karaoke 8pm**

## SICKNESS AND DISTRESS

Leo Achtschin Jr. passed away on November 22, 2023. Leo was 68 years old and an 8 year Elks member.

## FROM THE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Jeff James will be conducting Christmas Caroling this year for Veterans that live around the Lakesite property. For those interested in joining the fun, he is asking those to bring their golf carts and side by sides (decorated if possible). Plans are to gather at the Lakesite Lodge on Christmas Eve at 6:30pm then stop at specific locations to sing 3-4 songs. Afterwards, back to the lodge for a few beverages of choice.

Starting Shuffleboard Tournaments on Saturday, December 9th at 7:00pm.

Friday, December 8th, is our Toy for Tots night. Please bring a child's toy and receive a free meal, compliments of the lodge.

1) Queen of Hearts

Starts Saturday, December 9th at the Lakesite Lodge. Tickets are \$2.00 and will be sold daily with the last ticket sold at 8pm Saturday night. The winning ticket will be drawn at 8:15pm for a chance to turn the Queen of Hearts Card.

2) Starting Shuffleboard Tournaments on Saturday nights on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

Thank you Bri for doing Halloween party, we appreciate your efforts!

Fraternally yours,

House Committee

## PROPOSED FOR MEMBERSHIP

Reginald VanMeter proposed by Briana Monroe

Marisa Barker proposed by Loretta Havener

**2023-2024 SWEETHEART**

**TABITHA LENARD**



**SWEETHEART  
PROGRAM**  
**IT'S FOR THE KIDS!**





## **BIRTHDAYS**

Dec 1st	John Brett Clarice Driggs Robert Yantes
Dec 3rd	Roshan Mathew Henry Salisbury
Dec 4th	Joe Rowland
Dec 6th	Kandis Fedor
Dec 8th	Susan Grant
Dec 9th	Jerry Lema James Nash
Dec 10th	Norm Erkie Diane Grote
Dec 12th	Glen Grote Charles Turner
Dec 13th	Brandon McMahan
Dec 14th	Christine Beardsley Tedra Franklin Anthony Owens
Dec 15th	Anthony Auberry
Dec 16th	Sherry Boswell Amanda Perryman
Dec 17th	Robert Jordan
Dec 18th	Belinda Giles Patti Neely Matt Thompson
Dec 19th	Chester Thomas
Dec 20th	Paul Bailey Laurie Kimmell
Dec 21st	David Prechtl Heather Smith
Dec 22nd	Frances Brown Larna Millican
Dec 23rd	Frances Bradshaw John Pankratz
Dec 25th	George Snyder
Dec 26th	Tommy Gill Clifford Millican Tyler Ross
Dec 27th	Brenda Taylor
Dec 28th	Richard Wilkinson Charles Wilson
Dec 29th	Cecil Miller
Dec 30th	Larry Riley

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*See ya at the Elks*



## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Dec. 29th Jack and Lillie Duncan

## *Photos of Events*



### **2023 CHILI COOKOFF WINNERS**

**1st Place— Jeff James**

**2nd Place— Wesley Clark**



JOIN US FOR A

# CHRISTMAS PARTY

16  
DECEMBER  
POTLUCK DINNER

BRING A \$20.00 GIFT TO  
PARTICIPATE IN A GAME OF  
"SECRET SANTA"

# NEW YEAR'S

## *Party* 2024

31 DEC | 6PM

We are delighted to invite you to our traditional  
New Year's Eve Party.

IRON HORSE EXPRESS BAND

8pm-12am

PRE BUY TICKETS FOR  
RESERVED SEATING  
SEE BARTENDER FOR  
DETAILS. \$15.00 PER  
PERSON

MEXICAN DINNER  
6PM

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