

Elks Lodge No. 30 Newsletter

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SEPTEMBER 2026 –MEMBERSHIP ISSUE

WE NEED YOU!



YOU ARE A MEMBER NOT A CUSTOMER

THIS IS YOUR LODGE.



The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is a fraternal organization built on Brotherly Love, Justice, Charity, and Fidelity.

We are Elks. We care. We serve. We strengthen our communities.

YOUR MEMBERSHIP MEANS:

PARTICIPATE

A few hands and a few hours make a real difference.

LEARN

Discover our history, share in our values, and grow as Elks and leaders.

SERVE

Support our communities through Elks programs and charitable service.

BE KIND

Respect one another.
Welcome people.
Strengthen our brotherhood.

KNOW YOUR LODGE

A benefit for members and qualified guests — not a public facility. Please follow lodge rules and be respectful of your fellow Elks.

GROW OUR FAMILY

Invite and sponsor family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors.

YOUR LODGE NEEDS YOU.

PARTICIPATE • VOLUNTEER • LEARN • SERVE • SPONSOR

Exalted Ruler's Message



It's remarkable that the September newsletter is already upon us.

I trust your summer has been a good one.

At the recent District Deputy Meeting in Opelousas, our lodge was honored with a "Citation of Merit" for membership growth. That is welcome recognition and a genuine point of pride — yet it represents only half of what we set out to accomplish this year.

We are delighted to welcome our newest members and retaining those we already have matters every bit as much. So, consider this a friendly reminder: this lodge belongs to you. Use it and draw the full value from what you invest.

For roughly the price of two burgers a month, the return is considerable. Here is what Lodge No. 30 offered its members in August:

Right Center Left Game
Bingo
Bowling tournament
3-Ball
Birthday Celebration
Thursday Night Dinners

Half-Way to Mardi Gras Dance
Wine Glass Painting
Saints Games
Pool
Veteran Activities

Exalted Ruler's Message



Every bit of it is here for you, so please join in. A great many members work hard to make it possible.

Naturally, communication is everything. Please keep an eye on the following so you always know what's happening — and come out to enjoy it, especially the camaraderie:

Newsletter
Weekly Activities via Email
Monitor in Lounge
Bulletin Board
Flyers on the Tables
And your Fellow Members

Make your lodge and your membership work for you!
PARTICIPATE and CONTRIBUTE!



Fraternally,
Gene F. Reyes
Exalted Ruler



Citation of Merit

New Orleans Elks Lodge 30 2026 – 2027 Lodge Officers

Exalted Ruler:	Gene F. Reyes, ER
Est Leading Knight:	Kenny Buuck, PER
Est Loyal Knight:	Sean Triplett
Est Lecturing Knight:	David Koscielniak
Secretary:	Diane Krohn
Treasurer:	David Cain
Esquire:	Charles Schmuck, PDDGER, PSP, PER
Tiler:	Connie Armstead
Inner Guard:	Edward Ward
Chaplain:	Gwen Ward

Trustees

5 Year - Brian Baye, PDDGER
4 Year - Michael Juan, PER
3 Year - Karen Thompson
2 Year - Gail Millet, PER
1 Year - Sharrieff Armstead



ELKS LODGE OFFICERS

Our Lodge is guided by dedicated members who volunteer their time, talents and leadership to serve you and our community. Each officer plays an important role in keeping our Lodge strong today and for generations to come.

HOW OFFICERS ARE SELECTED

- ★ Nominations are taken from the floor by the Lodge membership.
- ★ Nominees must be members in good standing and meet the eligibility requirements of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.
- ★ Elections are held annually by secret ballot of the membership.
- ★ Officers are installed at the beginning of the Lodge year (April 1 – March 31).

WHY IT MATTERS

Our officers are the stewards of our Lodge. They ensure we operate according to our Elks principles:

CHARITY • JUSTICE • BROTHERLY LOVE • FIDELITY

Through their leadership, we support our members, strengthen our community and uphold the Elks mission every day.

MEET YOUR LODGE OFFICERS & THEIR PURPOSE

OFFICE	HOW SELECTED	PURPOSE
EXALTED RULER (E.R.) <i>The Chief Executive Officer of the Lodge.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	Leads the Lodge and presides at all meetings. Works with the Trustees to carry out the decisions of the membership and ensures the Lodge is successful and welcoming.
LEADING KNIGHT (L.K.) <i>Supports the Exalted Ruler and the Lodge.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	The E.R.'s right-hand person. Assumes the duties of the E.R. in their absence and chairs important committees. Prepares for future leadership.
LOYAL KNIGHT (L.Y.) <i>Ensures the smooth operation of Lodge.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	Oversees Lodge activities and rituals. Acts as Lodge inner guard and ensures all meetings and ceremonies run properly.
LECTURING KNIGHT (L.T.) <i>The Voice of the Lodge.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	Inspires members with Elks principles and the history of our Order. Encourages fellowship, charity and community involvement.
SECRETARY (SEC.) <i>Keeps the records and communication of the Lodge.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	Keeps accurate records of meetings and membership. Handles correspondence, reports and ensures the Lodge stays in compliance.
TREASURER (TREAS.) <i>Guardian of the Lodge finances.</i>	Elected annually by the membership.	Manages all Lodge funds, pays bills, collects dues and presents financial reports. Ensures responsible and transparent handling of Lodge finances.
TILER <i>The Guardian of the Door and the Membership.</i>	Appointed annually by the Exalted Ruler.	Greets members and guests, checks membership cards and maintains order at meetings. The first face of our hospitality and security.

THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees are elected annually by the membership. They are responsible for the care, custody and audit of the Lodge property and finances. They advise the Exalted Ruler and ensure the Lodge is managed wisely and in the best interest of our members.

EVERY MEMBER CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Our officers are here to serve you. Get involved, attend meetings and share your ideas. Together we can continue to build a stronger Lodge and a brighter future for all.

Note from the Exalted Ruler



To Our Parents and Grandparents,

Following a recent event, I must address a safety concern observed at the lodge. The majority of our members are senior citizens, and many contend with mobility and balance challenges that make slips and falls a serious risk.

As Exalted Ruler, I am responsible for ensuring a safe environment for every member. Accordingly, the following applies whenever young children are present: Lodge No. 30 is not a playground. Running, kicking, or throwing balls or objects of any kind is not permitted in any area of the lodge.

Parents and grandparents, I ask for your full cooperation in this matter. Thank you.

**Fraternally,
Gene F. Reyes
Exalted Ruler**



Let's Celebrate >>>>>

LODGE 30 'S MEMBERS

Longest Living Members:

Elton L. Rieder	50 Years
Fred R. Watson	52 Years
Francis L. Dobrovorny	55 Years
Sidney A. Parfait	56 Years
Sandor J. Porta	56 Years

Fred P. Winingham, Jr. Member for 59 years

Oldest Living Member:

Ronald G. Malinosky 93 years young

Why did I join the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks?

“My father and Uncle were members of the lodge and introduced me to the Elks. I saw all the good work they did with the community, especially with our Veterans and local youth, which is why one of my first committees I chaired was the Youth Activities Program. Additionally, I resonated with the four cardinal principles of the order - Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity. Being an Elk for the last 30 years has been an extremely rewarding and fulfilling experience.”

Brian L. Baye, PDDGER
LEA State President
Lodge Trustee



New Orleans Elks Lodge 30

Of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks
Of the United States of America
Chartered December 7, 1884



OFFICER OF THE MONTH:

MIKE JUAN

ELK OF THE MONTH:

KIM ARMATO



Note: All Officers and Members of the Month receive Bar Bucks. See the Secretary for Lodge No. 30.

Auxiliary News

Hi everyone! The question I keep hearing is: are we having a Garage Sale this year? The answer is a big YES!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 17, 8am to 2pm. All week long — Monday, October 12 through Friday, October 16 — we'll be sorting, pricing, and setting up, and we'd love your help.

Elks and Auxiliary members, this is one of our biggest fundraisers, and every dollar goes straight to Elks' scholarships.

So, dig through those treasures and pass them along to a new owner! Whatever doesn't sell is already spoken for — Louis Williams and the Salvation Army will pick it up.

Questions? Our committee is here for you: Kristi Little, Lola Develle, Karen Thompson, and me.

Thank you in advance — and please keep our members and their families in your prayers.

Respectfully,

Wanda Carey

Auxiliary President

Officers and Board

Wanda Carey, President
Lola Develle, Vice President
Karen Thompson, Treasurer
Christine Little, Secretary

Debbie Boudreaux, Trustee (1 Year)
Bonnie Ruiz Trustee (2 Year)
Jonell Robert Trustee (3 Year)
Gwen Ward, Chaplain



VETERANS ACTIVITIES



Greetings Fellow Elks and Veterans,

I hope everyone enjoyed their summer vacations and cruises wherever you went to take a break.

On Saturday, October 24, 2026, SLVHCS is hosting its annual Stand Down for Homeless Veterans scheduled from 9am-1pm.

Here's a little history concerning this event:

The original Stand Down for homeless Veterans was modeled after the Stand Down concept used during the Vietnam War to provide a safe retreat for units returning from combat operations. At secure base camp areas, troops were able to take care of personal hygiene, get clean uniforms, enjoy warm meals, receive medical and dental care, mail and receive letters, and enjoy the camaraderie of friends in a safe environment. Stand Down afforded battle-weary soldiers the opportunity to renew their spirit, health, and overall sense of well-being. Today, Homeless Stand Downs are typically one-to three-day events during which VA staff and volunteers provide food, clothing, and health screenings to homeless and at-risk Veterans. In addition, Veterans also receive referrals for health care, housing solutions, employment, substance use treatment, mental health counseling, and other essential services.

And we need volunteers to make this a successful event on the part of the BPOE New Orleans Lodge #30. I have sign-up sheets and photo authorization forms. If you don't get one from me, there will be several attached to the Bulletin Board.



Stephen M Rosiere
Chairman Veterans Activities
New Orleans Lodge #30.

VETERANS ACTIVITIES



I was notified Monday that my name will be on the National Military Monument that will be in Washington, D.C. from July 28, 2026 through Veterans Day November 12, 2026 along with 41 million other veterans for the past 250 years. I AM TRULY HONORED.



Honoring your Service



USAA created The National Military Monument to honor the more than 41 million men and women who've served our country over the past 250 years. And your name, Stephen M. Rosiere HM3 USN, will be on it.

We opened the monument in Washington, D.C. on July 28 with millions of names from historical, public and veteran service sources. To respect USAA members' privacy, we asked you to opt in and an incredible number of you did. We're now going to automatically include your name to ensure your service is honored.

Additionally, because of the overwhelming response, the monument will now be up through Veterans Day. Even more service members and military families will be able to experience this powerful tribute.

Stephen M. Rosiere
Chairman Veterans Activities
New Orleans Lodge #30.

ELK MEMBERSHIP



The incoming members will be balloted on September 11, 2026 and will be initiated on September 25 , 2026.

Applicant

Proposer

Diane Fourtunia

Armand J. Buuck, Jr.

Cynthia Chateau

Arthur Chateau, Jr.

Arthur Chateau III

Arthur Chateau, Jr.

Jessica Chateau

Arthur Chateau, Jr.

Edward Williams III

Glenn Dixon

Diana Grigg

Susan Thompson



Lodge History

Submitted by Armand J. Buuck, Jr. Lodge No. 30 Historian

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 1994

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE

1930's Elk's football team huddles before N.O. Landmark



This photograph of the Elks Club football team was taken in the early 1930s, according to Melba Wolfe, this week's contributor.

Urban Pfeff" Pfefferle, the club's athletic director, is the man in the dark suit at left. Active in sports, Pfefferle once served on the coaching staff of Tulane University. He later worked as an agent for a toy manufacturer. He died in 1972 at the age of 74.

In the background is the old Southern Railway Station, a city landmark that was demolished in 1955. Its elegant facade overlooked Canal Street and Elk Place for 47 years.

At left is Krauss Department Store and at right is the Saenger theater. Information on the back of the picture provides only partial identification of the players. Among those pictured are Johnny Duran, rear, fifth from left, and his brother, Dick Duran, front, second from left. Fifth from left in the front is "Midget" Myles.

Scholarships And Legacy Awards Process

Scholarships:

Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship:

Eligibility:

- Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.
- Applicants **do not** need to be related to a member of the Elks.
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.
- Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are submitted; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.
- Scholarships are available only to students who enroll in four-year undergraduate degree programs at accredited U.S. American colleges or universities.

Awards:

- The Elks National Foundation will award 500 four-year scholarships.
- Male and female students compete separately.
- Ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$7,500 per year, Most Valuable Student scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree, on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), in a U.S. college or university. All scholarships are in the form of certificates of award conditional upon the full-time enrollment of the winner in an accredited U.S. college or university.
- NOTE: The Chicago office of the Elks National Foundation will announce the 500 national winners of the 2026 contest in April 2026. (Many local Lodges, districts and state Elks associations award their own scholarships through this program. These scholarships are not to be confused with the 500 Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarships.)

Questions? Email scholarship@elks.org or call 773/755-4732.

Apply online at www.elks.org.

Legacy Awards:

Legacy Awards are scholarships available to children and grandchildren of Elks members. Eligibility requirements are outlined below.

1. For the 2027 contest, any child or grandchild (or step-child, step-grandchild, or legal ward) of a living Elk who joined the Order on or before April 1, 2024, or a charter member of a Lodge that was instituted on or after April 1, 2024, is eligible to apply. The Elk must be a continuous, dues paying Elk through March 31, 2027. Great-grandchildren are not eligible.
2. The applicant must be a high school senior.
3. The applicant must apply online only. **The 2027 Legacy Awards application deadline is February 1, 2027, 11:59 a.m. Pacific Time. NOTE: This is NOON, midday, Pacific time.**
4. If the applicant's parent and grandparent are both Elk members, the applicant must select the parent's Elks Lodge on the application.
5. We have waived the standardized test requirement for the 2027 Legacy contest. You do not need to submit ACT and/or SAT scores.
6. Students may apply for more than one ENF scholarship. In cases where the student wins more than one, we will award both scholarships. Students can also accept local and state scholarships, which are separate from the awards at the national level.
7. Legacy Awards may only be applied to accredited US American schools, colleges or universities. (Note: Applicants from Panama, Puerto Rico and the Philippines may apply Legacy Awards toward schools, colleges or universities in their respective homes.)
8. If you are selected as a 2027 Legacy Awards recipient, to further strengthen your connection to the #ElksFamily, you must complete an act of service with a Lodge at least three times during your collegiate career.

How Do I Apply, and What Are the Deadlines?

Eligible students should apply in the following manner:

1. The student must complete and submit the ONLINE application. The 2027 Legacy Awards application opens on September 1, 2026 and the deadline is February 1, 2027 at 11:59 a.m. Pacific Time.
2. The Elk sponsor's membership will be verified through the BPOE Grand Lodge headquarters.
3. When a student registers to complete the online application, both the applicant and Lodge Secretary will be notified by email.
4. If you have questions about your online Legacy Awards application, contact the ENF Scholarship Office via email at scholarship@elks.org.
5. Upon receipt of the application, the applicant will receive a notification that the application was received. Winners will be announced in late April 2027.

Brian L. Baye, PDDGER
Scholarship Chairman

ELK'S

KREWE OF JEFFERSONIANS

EKJ MEETING –SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

Meetings will be held on the last Saturday of each month from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Elks Lodge. This schedule continues through October 26, 2026. We will be accepting deposits, applications, and payments during these times.

If you or anyone you know has ever wanted to experience the ride of a lifetime, now is your chance. Please contact me to find out more about the costs and how to participate.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to:

elkjeffersonians@gmail.com

**Michael Juan, Captain
ELKS Krewe of Jeffersonians**

Port & Co. 50/50 Cotton/Blend T-Shirts

T-Shirts S- XL	\$20.00
T-Shirts 2XL - 5XL	\$24.00
Ladies Jersey S - XL	\$22.00
Ladies Short Sleeve S - XL	\$22.00
Ladies Jersey- 2X - 4XL	\$24.00



A Birthday Party just for you!
Wednesday, September 30, 2026

**We have cake and hats, noise makers and snacks and
a free Birthday drink just for you.
Bring your family and friends to enjoy
*your Birthday Party.***



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Robert Sarniguet 1

Nelson Morvant 2

Edgar Dugal 3

Florence Peyton 3

Gene Reyes 4

Lucille Oschmann 5

Kathleen Giroir 7

Tab Henderson 8

Clayton Thompson 8

Dennis Famularo 9

Gayle Litolff 11

Sharla St. Pe 11

Deborah Mooney 13

Linda Russo 13

Christopher Baldwin 14

Jennifer France 14

Troy Dakin 16

Julio Puente 17

Adam Cressionnie 19

Michael Juan 20

Frank Traub 28

Judy Farmer 29

Miriam Finley 29

Michael Freeland 30

Elvin Spillman 30

Let's Party!!!!!!



**August Birthday
Celebration**

Sunshine & Smiles

Prayers & Positivity for Members of Lodge #30

**Della Bonck
Barbara Brown
Wanda Carey
Erin Livermore
Ron Malinoski
Phil Martin
Pat Robert
Stephen Rosiere
T.J. Thompson
Joyce Volz
E.J. Ward
Victoria Sbisa**



Submitted by: April Williams

Don't forget—each month is a new opportunity to lift-up someone in our Elks family who could use an extra boost, heartfelt prayers, or a gentle helping of good vibes! Our “Sunshine & Smiles” section is here to help you share positive thoughts and rally support for members in need of healing or encouragement. Please remember to submit the names of fellow Elks who could use our collective support to elks30news@gmail.com before the next newsletter deadline. Names must be resubmitted every month to ensure no one is missed, so set a reminder and help us spread a little extra love! Just a quick note: This section is for our members and auxiliary only—let's keep it in the family!

A vibrant tropical-themed poster for a Luau Party. The background is a warm yellow with a subtle pattern of palm fronds and bamboo. The title 'LUAU PARTY' is written in large, bold, blue capital letters. Below the title, the date 'Saturday, September 19th' is in black. The event times '6:00 Doors Open' and '7:00 Food Served' are in red. Ticket prices 'Advance Tickets \$15' and 'Same Day Tickets \$20' are also in red. The DJ information 'Triple B will be taking your requests' is in black. The pool information 'Pool open til 10PM - Adults Only' and 'No outside drinks or coolers' is in black. The invitation 'Invite your Friends!' is in black. The poster is decorated with a thick border of tropical flowers, including red hibiscus, white plumeria, and red bird of paradise, along with green palm fronds and bamboo stalks tied with rope.

LUAU PARTY

**Saturday,
September 19th**

**6:00 Doors Open
7:00 Food Served**

**Advance Tickets \$15
Same Day Tickets \$20**

**Tickets available at the bar or
during regular office hours**

**For your listening and dancing
pleasure, our very own DJ...
Triple B will be
taking your requests**

**Pool open til 10PM - Adults Only
No outside drinks or coolers**

Invite your Friends!

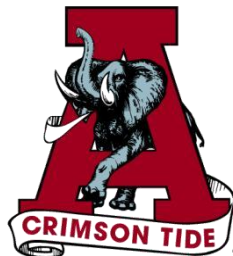
SAVE THE DATE...



1st Annual
James Hester Memorial
LSU Tailgate cook-off



VS



**Saturday, November 7, 2026
New Orleans Elks Lodge #30
2215 Cleary Avenue, Metairie, LA 70001**

**Cost: \$10.00 per person ~ gets you 5 food tickets which are
used to get samples from each booth ~ 1 ticket per sample.
Additional food tickets are available for purchase.**

Tickets on sale at door on day of event

Cooking spots are available



**Proceeds to benefit Lodge #30's Christmas Food Basket Program
for needy families**

1st Annual James Hester Memorial LSU Tailgate Cook-Off



vs



Saturday, November 7, 2026

Registration Form & Rules

1. \$25.00 entry fee per team. All dishes will be judged, and the winner takes the pot. Each team will receive ten (10) food tickets to the event with a paid entry fee.
2. Teams must prepare enough food for at least one hundred samples (plates & bowls will be provided).
3. All food must be prepared on site. Teams must bring their own cooking equipment & supplies. Water and aluminum pans will be provided by the Lodge.
4. Teams can arrive at any time to begin their cooking. There will be an area barricaded off in the parking lot for all participants.
5. There is no limit to what you can cook or to any method of cooking. Teams may boil, fry, smoke & BBQ, if desired.
6. Judging will be a "Blind Taste Test" by the Judges.
7. Teams are responsible for the cleanup of their cooking areas.

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____

Captain's Phone #: _____ **Entry Fee Paid:**

Please turn in the entry form along with the entry fee at the lodge. Contact either Lincoln Brennan or Brian Baye with any questions.

Did You Know...

Elks Family,



**LET'S GET
IT DONE!**



If you get a notice and
have already paid your dues,
PLEASE DISREGARD IT.



WE APPRECIATE YOU
being current on your dues!



If you still need to pay your dues,
REACH OUT
we can help you get that done!



Come Watch the Saints with your Fellow Lodge Members



NEW ORLEANS SAINTS 2026 SCHEDULE

PRESENTED BY
**SEAT
GEEK**

PRESEASON

WEEK	DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME [CT]	TV
P1	SATURDAY	AUG. 15	JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS	3:00 PM	FOX 8 GRAY TV
P2	SATURDAY	AUG. 22	AT LOS ANGELES RAMS	3:00 PM	FOX 8 GRAY TV
P3	FRIDAY	AUG. 28	AT DALLAS COWBOYS	7:00 PM	FOX 8 GRAY TV

REGULAR SEASON

WEEK	DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME [CT]	TV
1	SUNDAY	SEPT. 13	AT DETROIT LIONS	12:00 PM	FOX
2	SUNDAY	SEPT. 20	AT BALTIMORE RAVENS	12:00 PM	CBS
3	SUNDAY	SEPT. 27	LAS VEGAS RAIDERS	3:25 PM	CBS
4	MONDAY	OCT. 5	ATLANTA FALCONS	7:15 PM	ESPN
5	SUNDAY	OCT. 11	MINNESOTA VIKINGS	12:00 PM	FOX
6	SUNDAY	OCT. 18	AT NEW YORK GIANTS	12:00 PM	FOX
7	SUNDAY	OCT. 25	VS PITTSBURGH STEELERS (PARIS)	8:30 AM	NFLN
8			BYE		
9	SUNDAY	NOV. 8	CLEVELAND BROWNS	12:00 PM	CBS
10	SUNDAY	NOV. 15	CAROLINA PANTHERS	12:00 PM	FOX
11	SUNDAY	NOV. 22	AT CHICAGO BEARS	12:00 PM	FOX
12	SUNDAY	NOV. 29	AT CINCINNATI BENGALS	12:00 PM	CBS
13	SUNDAY	DEC. 6	GREEN BAY PACKERS	12:00 PM	FOX
14	SUNDAY	DEC. 13	AT CAROLINA PANTHERS	12:00 PM	CBS
15	SUNDAY	DEC. 20	AT TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS	12:00 PM	FOX
16	SUNDAY	DEC. 27	ARIZONA CARDINALS	12:00 PM	FOX
17	SUNDAY	JAN. 3	AT ATLANTA FALCONS	12:00 PM	FOX
18	TBD	TBD	TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS	TBD	TBD

SAINTS HOME GAMES IN BOLD | SELECT GAME TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Pick the Winner & Survivor

It's that time of year again ~ It's Football Season.

Once again, Lodge #30 will have the Pick the Winner and Survivor games available.

Survivor will be \$10.00 per entry (one time fee) and the last remaining player will receive the pot.

Pick the Winner will be \$2.00 per sheet (weekly). The concept is simple – all Sunday and Monday night games will be listed. You pick who you believe will be the winner of each game, \$1.00 goes towards the weekly pot and the other \$1.00 goes to the season total. The person who chooses the most correct will win the weekly pot. The season total winners will be divided as follows: 1st (40%), 2nd (30%), 3rd (20%) and Last Place (10%) of the pot.

Weekly sheets will be available every Wednesday at the lodge.

Brian Baye



Things to Know...

Wine Glass Painting...
Thanks to All !!!



Things to Know...

Bowling Benefit for Children's Hospital... What A Ball We Had !!!!



**Big Thank you to Rob!!!
(at "Mama's Place")**

Things to Know...

GAME NIGHT - OH, WHAT FUN WE HAD!!!

We had even more players,
but unfortunately the
pictures did not come out.

Thanks to all who came out
and thank you for making
our Potluck so successful.



August 16, 2026....Another Fun Game Night



Due to football season and the numerous Elk events scheduled in the upcoming months - Game Nights are on hiatus - hoping to return after the holidays.

Things to Know...

Visitors' Corner



Lola and friends!

Couple in front from New Brunswick, NJ
and lady on left Pensacola, FL



Is it too much skin????

California Rob Michelle and Cindy were visiting
from California



GiGi's Playhouse

On behalf of GiGi's Playhouse, there will be a box placed in the Elk's lounge for those members wanting to donate candy to this wonderful event.

Vintage cars will be decorated for Halloween and give out candy to those who attend the event given for the Achievement Center.

For the children who cannot have candy, Elk's Lodge No. 30 has generously agreed to give a donation to buy alternative treats and help decorate the vintage car.

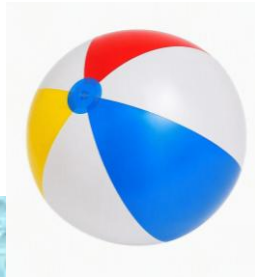
So, let's do what Elks do best... Let's GIVE!



Things to Know...

Hello everyone,

The EKJ's Half Way to Mardi Gras Party was a great success! We enjoyed music, plenty of prizes, and a 50/50 raffle. Thank you to the EKJ committee, everyone who helped organize the event, and all the companies that provided donations.



Dive in!

**We Care's Pool Party makes a splash
Friday, September 4, 2026,
6:30pm to 8:30pm**

Buy a drink at the Bar and you'll score a ticket for a FREE hot dog or hamburger, compliments of We Care, while they last. Grab your suit, bring your friends, and let's make a splash!



Things to Know...

Mahjong



Beth Dixon is hosting an Introduction to American Mahjong on

Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 6:45 pm in the Lounge

Be advised...it takes a while to get the hang of mahjong. There are MANY opportunities to play in Metairie and New Orleans that I will share with you. Depending on the interest, classes may continue so you can gain confidence in the game. If you have access to a mahjong set and mat - bring it!

Note - American Mahjong is VERY different from the Mahjong game app on your phone. It's more like gin rummy - with a lot more rules and restrictions.

Blood Drive

Date: **Saturday, September 26**

Time: **10:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

Location: **The Elk's Lodge**

Beneficiary: **New Orleans Blood Center**

Perks: **Coffee and refreshments will be served**

How to Participate

Donate: **Come out and give blood to support local patients.**

Support: **Attend to cheer on and support other donors.**

Spread the word: **Invite friends, family, and community members.**



Things to Know...

Pool News.....

Pool Hours for September

Sat.: 12 (Noon) – 8pm

Sun.: 12(Noon) – 8pm

Sept. 19th –Pool Closed for Luau setup



Volunteers Needed for Luau



Decorating

Join our decorating team on Saturday, Sep 19 at 10am as we transform the Pool Area and Antler room into an island delight!

Cooking

We need help preparing for our famous Luau buffet. Do you have a dish to share (it does NOT need to be Polynesian).

If you're willing to provide a dish, contact Sonia during regular office hours. Tell her what you would like to prepare and how many servings. Let Sonia know if you are donating the dish or want to be reimbursed. For reimbursement we need to know the estimated cost, how many servings, and you must submit your receipts.



BOY SCOUT TROOP 185 - NEWS

Let's support the troops from Pack 185

BOY SCOUT TROOP 185

NATIONAL FOOD BANK DAY

COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 1 - 30, 2026

WHERE: CONTACT TROOP FOR DROP-OFF OR PICK-UP

HELP US FIGHT HUNGER!

CAN GOODS	NON-PERISHABLES	DRY GOODS
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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

A few friendly pointers to help make every entry shine:

If you submit a picture, please include names, titles, company, visiting state, etc. with spelling double-checked;

Flyers should arrive in editable format, therefore, keep your program in mind before sending;

Be mindful that many things are happening at the same time, please submit your items via the elks30news@gmail.com email portal;

My goal is to deliver the newsletter and calendar two days before month's end. Late entries are welcome — they just mean a later delivery.

It is my absolute pleasure to do the newsletter and calendar for Elks Lodge No. 30.

Kim H. Armato

Editor, Newsletter and Calendar
Elks Lodge No. 30

