

BPOE Kingsville Elks Lodge 1926, 1404 S. 6th St., Kingsville TX



Hello Elk family and Happy August to you all. Summer is in full swing and so is that heat.

Krystal Peterson

Elks Lodge

Kingsville

Exalted

Ruler

Just a few weeks ago, for my first time ever I went to the Elks Grand Lodge convention in Minnesota. I could not believe my eyes of all the fellow Elks attending; some 5,700 throughout representing their lodge. To hear everyone reciting together the Pledge of Allegiance was so powerful and strong that I knew I was right where I needed to be. On the second day of the Grand Lodge 14 new resolutions passed and 4 were rejected, see below. A gentleman from Houston Texas PLEASE SEE ER, PG 4

BPO Elks Grand Lodge Resolution, Voting Results 7/4/2023 9:54 Minneapolis, MN 2628 2023 **Ballots** Cast Number Description YES NO % Messaaes 2023-01 To clarify this Constitutional provision by eliminating a redundancy 2490 84 97% PASS 2023-02 To prohibit the use of resources of the Order and of Local Lodges for private, public, or social media fundraising activities in 2336 236 91% PASS connection with a Local Forum or Grand Forum action 2023-03 2382 224 91% PASS To prohibit the use of resources of the Order and of Local Lodges for private, public, or social media fundraising activities in connection with a Local Forum or Grand Forum action, and to authorize the Grand Forum to issue a contempt order. 2023-04 To formalize the appointment and authority of Special Representative District Leaders or Area Special Representatives. 2455 145 94% PASS 2023-05 To clarify that the determination of whether there exists good cause not to attend a District Deputy Clinic rests with the 2406 185 93% PASS District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Per Section 12.020 2023-06 To clarify that the determination of whether there exists good cause not to attend a District Deputy Clinic rests with the 2404 196 92% PASS District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Per Section 12,050 1693 897 65% PASS 2023-07 To require the Lodge Treasurer to attend all District Deputy Clinics 91% PASS 2023-08 To clarify the types of projects that are subject to the provisions of this section of the Laws of the Orde 2375 238 2023-09 2370 245 91% PASS To allow greater discretion for the use of defunct Lodge funds and to allow the Grand Exalted Ruler the authority to appoint a sufficient number of Trustees to administer the funds of a defunct Lodge 2023-10 To allow Local Lodges to adopt a by-law setting a minimum age requirement for Life Membership applicants. 2240 374 86% PASS 2023-11 To define spouse as used in the Grand Lodge Statutes and in publications 1396 1205 54% PASS 2023-12 To require the Grand Lodge to provide a credit to Local Lodges for dropped Members 769 1826 30% FAIL 2023-13 To authorize and prescribe the procedure by which a Member may resign from membership during the Lodge year. 1376 1229 53% PASS 91% PASS 2023-14 To allow Members to transfer from a Lodge appealing a Charter revocation. 2375 240 2023-15 To permit and prescribe the procedure by which a Member, who has been dropped for non-payment, may apply for 2146 469 82% PASS reinstatement in another Lodge when that individual's Lodge has had its Charter revoked and has appealed 2023-16 2251 13% FAII To allow a Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Association to form a separate non-profit corporation for the purpose of raising, 349 receiving, and distributing funds for such charities, educational, and scientific purposes that are supported by its Lodge, State Association, and/or Grand Lodge 2023-17 1666 920 64% PASS To make it clear that the Grand Exalted Ruler shall have the authority to remove any officer of a corporation formed pursuant to the new Section 16.035 who neglects the duties of office, or is guilty of contumacy or conduct injurious to the Order. *This Resolution is dependent upon the passage of Resolution 2023-16.* 2023-18 1089 1499 42% FAIL To allow a Local Lodge Past Exalted Rulers Association to form a separate non-profit corporation for the purpose of fundraising. *This Resolution is dependent upon the passage of Resolution 2023-16 and 2023-17.*

LODGE MEETINGS SCHEDULES

LODGE MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Last Wednesday of each month at 6:30 PM.

PER ASSOCIATION

Quarterly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:30 PM. January, April, July, and October.

> ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

LOUNGE HOURS

MONDAY	3 - 9 PM
TUESDAY	3 - 9 PM
WEDNESDAY	3 - 9 PM
THURSDAY	3 - 9 PM
FRIDAY	3 - 9 PM
SATURDAY	3 - 7 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

2023/2024 Officers

Exalted Ruler	Krystal Peterson
Leading Knight	Jesse Battle
Loyal Knight	Ted Figueroa
Lecturing Knight	Roxanne Barrera-Salinas
Secretary	Idotha Battle
Treasurer	Stacey Core
Tiler	Thomas Morgan
Esquire	Al Lewis
Chaplain	Mary Malone
Inner Guard	Zola Johnson
Presiding Justice	Nathan Fugate

Board of Director

Exalted RulerKrystal Peterson				
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Loyal KnightTed Figueroa				
Lecturing KnightRoxanne Barrera-Salinas				
5 Year TrusteeLena Core				
4 Year TrusteeJessica "Red" Myers				
3 Year TrusteeSara Robertson				
2 Year TrusteeJ. Dean Craig				
1 Year TrusteeSam Fugate				

Have an announcement, picture, article, etc.? Submit by the 20th to bpoe1926bulletin@gmail.com

COMMITTEES

Accident Prevention	J Dean Craig, PER		
Americanism	Sam Fugate, PER		
Auditing	Ken Moses, PDDGER		
Bulletin	Sara Robertson, PER		
Cyber Assistant	Tony Deel		
Drug Awareness	Zola Johnson		
ENF	Jessica Myers, PER		
Flag Day	Mike Klepac, PDDGER		
Hoop Shoot	Ken Moses, PDDGER		
House Committee	Kaleb Carrillo		
Membership	Ken Moses, PDDGER		
Memorial Service	Mike Klepac, PDDGER		
PER Association	Jessica Myers, PER		
Public Relations	Kevin Clarke		
Veteran Services	Vacant		
Youth Activities	Ken Moses, PDDGER		





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- **03 Rosalinda Farek**
- **04 Krystal Peterson**
- 14 Izola Johnson
- **15 Kirstie Lomas**
- 18 Sam Fugate II
- **19 Larry Schell**
- 22 Lori Cantu
- 27 Mahavir Bhakta
- **30 Lawayne Bennett**
- 30 Christine Guajardo



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1-800-880-7561 For Children With Special Needs

Sincerely,

Krystal Peterson E.R.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BUILDS FOUNDATION FOR OUR FUTURE

After being elected Grand Exalted Ruler at the convention in Minneapolis, Wanda and I are humbled and honored to represent our great Order this year.

We have truly been blessed by the aid and support of so many people throughout the years. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our family, friends, and to you, our Elks family. We say thank you, one and all, for everything.

My slogan for 2023–2024 is "*We Are THE Elks*." I am sure you will be hearing



Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler RANDY P. SHOOK

more about this at your District Deputy Clinic this month.

As we travel the country, Wanda and I are committed to promoting our Elks programs like never before. It is our belief this will make our Lodges stronger and improve our image throughout our great Order. We will be promoting community ser vice prog rams throughout our travels. These programs build stronger communities while stimulating a response that motivates worthy members of the public to seek Elks membership. In this way, our community service builds the foundation for our future.

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Successful Lodges of the future will create and develop local projects that will become signature accomplishments in the eyes of

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TEXAS ELKS VETERAN'S RETREAT



We just wrapped up our May 2023 Texas Elks Veterans Retreat at the new Texas Elks Camp located at 418 Stanton Way, Pottsboro, TX 75076 on Lake Texoma. We had 20 veterans and 29 volunteers with 12 of them being new volunteers. A great time was had by all but we also learned how we can make a better retreat for the Veterans.

The next Veterans retreat will be the weekend of October 6th, 2023 at the Elks Children's Camp in Ottine. We will participate in the Come & Take It Parade on Saturday, Oct.

7, in Gonzales. If you wish to be a volunteer for the October retreat, please send me an email with your full name, lodge number, email and contact phone number to <u>tesa.vetschair@outlook.com</u>. I will make the final volunteer list based on need and the number of veteran applications we receive.

Look for more information in the coming months.

Please get the application printed off and have it available at your lodge events as well as send them out to other organizations that your lodge works with. <u>Download application here.</u>

I am really looking forward to making another successful retreat.

Fraternally Stacy Lahue PER TESA Veterans Chair Grapevine Elks Lodge #2483 817-819-9484





HOUSE RULES :

- 10. Lounge business is "strictly cash". Members will settle their accounts prior to leaving the lounge on each occasion of their visits to the Lounge. Checks written for change or checks written in excess of the amount owed must be limited by the lounge's available cash, at the discretion of the Attendant in Charge, but in no case, will exceed \$50.00 in excess of purchases.
 - a. As exception to the "strictly cash" policy in rule 10 a member may establish monthly credit accounts with the lounge upon the member's advancing the sum of \$500.00 as a security deposit. Said sum must remain on deposit during the period the member wishes to maintain the credit account. In addition, the member will pay a fee of \$50.00 per month, in addition to purchases, for account maintenance.

I AM AN ELK: WHAT I SEE HERE, WHAT I HEAR HERE, STAYS HERE, WHEN I LEAVE HERE

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the community. In turn, members of the community will see these projects mature over time and want to become involved.

If we work together toward our charitable pursuits and remain faithful to our programs, I'm confident we will soon see an increase in membership— not mere temporary gains, but a new era of growth where participation becomes commonplace.

A great source of funding for some community projects is the Elks National Foundation, known as the "Great Heart Of Elkdom." The ENF helps build stronger communities through programs that support youth, serve veterans, and meet the needs in areas where we live and work.

The Foundation has allocated almost \$16 million for Lodge Community Service Grants. This grant program allows your Lodge to complete more for your communities. This is once again a way for you to show your communities that **Elks Care—Elks Share**.

Make the Elks presence felt in your community by using these grants. What is your Lodge known for in your community? What reputation would you like to have? Find that need in your community and get it done. This will ensure people in your community know that "*We Are THE Elks*."

The support we provide makes the Foundation's work possible. The goal we have established for the 2023–2024 fraternal year is \$4.80 per Member. That is not much when you consider the outstanding achievements of this program.

Remember "*Elks Care— Elks Share*" and "*We Are THE Elks.*"

God bless our great Order, our troops, and the United States of America.





Do you contribute to the Elks National Foundation? What if you could donate without having to think about it? Well, you can! Enroll today and become a member of the Fidelity Club—the

ENF's monthly giving program. Becoming a member of the Fidelity Club is simple! Enroll online at enf.elks.org/recurring and start your gift today! If you prefer to sign up through the mail, pickup a enrollment form at the Lodge or request a copy via email.

Questions? Contact enf@elks.org or 773/755-4728.

Thank You Donors!

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Elks...Fundraising, Maintenance, and Volunteerism























EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: FLAG RETIREMENT BOX

By Elijah Guajardo Scouts of America, **Boy Scout Troop 147**

Kingsville Texas.

For my Eagle Project I wanted to give back to the Kingsville Elks Lodge for always welcoming, and supporting myself and my Troop designed and constructed, with a meeting place, dona- with the help of my family tions, and so much more.

My local Elks Lodge organizes an annual retirement flag ceremony open to the public.

Before flag day members of dispose of our American flags our lodge and members of for proper retirement.

my Troop go around our city My name is Elijah Guajardo to collect worn flags from our of Boy Scout Troop 147 local banks, schools, Post Ofbusinesses who fice. and know we conduct this annual ceremony on Flag Day for retirement of U.S. flags.

> To encourage other locals I and Troop, a flag retirement box to put out front our lodge to make easy and accessible to my community to



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September 15th-16th: Homecoming (Ottine) September 30th: DD/VP/Interlodge Clinic (McAllen) October 1st: South District Golf Tournament November 3rd-5th: Fall Conference (San Antonio) January 13th: VP/Interlodge Clinic (San Benito) April 13th: DD/VP/Interlodge Clinic (Harlingen)

ELK PET OF THE MONTH

Owner: Jacki Schwartz

Pet: Turd Schwartz, approx. age 16

Likes: Sunbathing, long cuddles, birding, and play time with her three dog sisters

Dislikes: Short cuddles and play time with her three (rough) dog sisters

Turd was one of the many cats you could find running around Kings Inn years ago. At the end of each work night Mark (Turd's Human Dad) would often have the duty of sweeping the parking lot or throwing out boxes. This created the perfect opportunity for the two to bond as Turd would chat with Mark while he completed his duties. Anyone who knows Turd knows that she is chatty and that her meow is quite distinct. Fortunately for us, cats that are a little kinder or softer to humans often were picked on by the clowder at the Inn and so the owner asked if anyone would take Turd home. We gladly brought the fur ball home.

She ballooned quickly from a slender street cat to a 16-pound pampered princess. She has been ruling our home ever since except for a year long sabbatical she took shortly after we first brought her home. Our only guess as to why she returned to us is that she missed her hearty diet, cuddles and morning chats.

If you would like your pet to be featured, please email their pictures, details, and story to bpoe1926bulletin@gmail.com.







August 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		Lodge Mtg 7pm Taco Tues.	Bike Night 7-9pm		Blackened Steak & Fish Lala	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		House Committee Meeting 6:30pm			Chicken Fried Steak Red	
13	14	15 Lodge Mtg	16	17	18	19
		7pm Potluck: Summertime		Burger Night Roy & Dianne	Pizza Night	Birthday Steaks
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
					Fajita Friday	
27	28	29	30 Board of Director's Meeting 6:30pm	31	1	2



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