



Coolidge – Florence Elks  
#2350

Monthly Members Meeting  
August 19, 2025



# Agenda

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07/15/25

## Lodge meeting

Opened 630

### Roll call of officers

All present except

Robert Hundley, Trustee

Robert Beck, Trustee

Stephen Hotz, Loyal Knight

Minutes from the previous meeting were read

### Lodge of Sorrow

Robert Austin passed away 6/22/25

### Community Activities

Calendar review

### Committee Reports

- Auditing & Accounting
  - Finalized FYE 3/31/25
  - Reviewed 4/1 – 5/31/25 Financial reports
  - Conducting and report 1<sup>st</sup> quarter review
- Youth Activities
  - Summer pop up event
    - 20 people stopped by
  - Youth & Drug Awareness joint meeting 7/17/25 at 5:30
  - National Friendship Day 8/3 1-3 pm
- Drug Awareness
  - Summer pop up event
    - 20 people stopped by
  - Back to School event 7/9
  - Youth & Drug Awareness joint meeting 7/17/25 at 5:30 pm
  - Table at Friendship Day event
- Community Projects & Activities
  - Bring the Style, Rock the Smile
    - 163 children and 75 parents/adults attended
    - Collaboration with CUSD/FUSD, AZ Migrant Education, Pappas Kids, Nationwide Vision, BCBS, CAHRA and the Smile Zone
- Bar
  - New bartender – Amelia Hoyt
  - Thank you to Mark, Karen and Dawn for keeping up the inventory
  - Started process of changing the agent status on liquor license
- Cleaning
  - Good turn out on Mondays

- Thank you to everyone who helps
- Maintenance
  - Install new door closing device
  - Replaced light tubes
  - Added outlets
  - Replaced water filters
  - Kitchen hood cleaning 6/30/25
- Bingo
  - June 240 players
  - 28 volunteers
  - \$1879 income
  - \$223.41 paid quarterly taxes
  - More volunteers needed
- Kitchen
  - Meeting 6/24
  - Discontinue meal service until 10/1
  - Except, Sunday breakfast, Bingo burgers, Rib night 7/18, special activities, meeting nights and Queen of Hearts
- ~~Americianism~~
  - Flag day was a success 6/13
  - Flag Recognition Certificates recipients are being selected
  - Law and Order night is 10/10
    - AEA State President Larry Carver & his wife will be joining us
    - Chad to contact local police and fire departments in order to get their recipients
  - Flag retirement ceremony with girl scout troop will be held in March 2026
- ENF
  - ENF chair challenge checklist
  - Need ideas on raising more money through banquets and events
  - Get more members enrolled in the Fidelity Club
- AEMP
  - Need to sell more UTV tickets
  - Drawing in October
- Membership
  - Lapsation started with 112 4/1/25 now at 53
  - 1 first read
  - 6 ready for balloting
  - Next initiation 8/5
- Veterans
  - Veterans hospital visit 7/29 at 8:30 am
  - Plan to do this quarterly
  - Leather Glove Program - \$500 approved
  - Conex mural with updated patriotic artwork
  - Veterans banquet needs baskets
  - \$3000 in donations already secured
- Events
  - Tommy Fontaine canceled 7/11
  - Trivia has been added monthly



- Bunco begins 8/2
- Government Relations
  - Attended TAL AZ Convention
  - Attended Flag Day
  - Attended Florence Chamber Mixer

## Communications

- EFELT donation to CUSD
- Freedom Grant letter of receipt

## First Reads

Susan McCourt, proposed by Kermit Hollingshead  
John Stone, proposed by Cameron Gilliam

## Balloting on Second Reads - approved

Patrick Hart, proposed by Roy Mizia  
Kathi Clark, proposed by Chad Knutson  
Allen Opwick, proposed by Kim Ledesma  
Maria Kesen, proposed by Richard Lee  
Charna Ross, proposed by Teri Wards  
Valerie Skoczyles, proposed by Tricia Hotz

## Old Business

- By-law amendments – all approved (Motion: Cameron / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Bonnie)
  - Article IV: Meetings  
Section 5. The Board of Directors, consisting of the Officers and Trustees, will meet on **regular meeting nights the Thursday before the regularly scheduled Lodge meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month** or on special designated nights.
  - Article IX: Club Operations and Management  
Section 1. The operation, management and control of the Home, Club or other facility owned and/or occupied by this Lodge shall be supervised and conducted by: The Exalted Ruler, Esteemed Leading Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, **the Secretary, the Treasurer,** and the Trustees of the Lodge.
  - Article V: Elective officers and duties of the trustees or board of directors  
Section 6. ~~The Board of Trustees,~~ or a Board of Directors established in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6 of Grand Lodge Statutes Section 16.020 **consisting of Exalted Ruler, Esteemed Leading Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Lecturing Knight, the Secretary, the Treasurer, and Trustees,** (collectively called “the Board”) after each annual installation, shall meet and organize by the election of a Chairman and a Secretary, who shall be members of such Board. **No member of the Board of Directors, except the Secretary or the Treasurer who are employed by the Lodge, shall be employed by the managing Board of Directors.**
  - Section 1. The Lodge ~~does not will~~ recognize any Lodge auxiliaries **that create a set of by-laws and are approved by a vote of the Lodge at a regular meeting.**

## New Business

Teen Leadership Symposium \$500 – children’s charities  
Approved (Motion: Tricia / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Cameron)

Back to School event \$5000 – children’s charities other account  
Approved (Motion: Angie / 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mark)

## Against the lodge

- \$1446.54  
- 5 - \$2678.88  
:hen (Sysco) – 2 - \$958.79  
- 15 - \$8504.26  
- 12 - \$3855.27  
nance – 3 - \$288  
- \$17,731.74

## er’s Report

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8/5/25

## **Lodge Meeting**

### **Special Guest**

Jerry Ingram, Chandler #2429 East District Leader

Opened 605

### **Roll call of officers**

All present except

Bonnie Hundley, Trustee

Robert Hundley, Trustee

Robert Beck, Trustee

Deb Neely, Trustee

Stephen Hotz, Loyal Knight

George Hickman, Chaplain

### **Balloting - approved**

John Stone, proposed by Cameron Gilliam—

Susan McCourt, proposed by Kermit Hollingshead

Maxwell Eskildsen, proposed Kenneth McGilvray

James Walchel, Transfer Dimit #1740

Peter Manyon, Certificate of Release #896

### **Motion to suspend all business - approved**

### **Initiation**

John Stone, proposed by Cameron Gilliam

Maria Kasem, proposed by Richard Lee

Patrick Hart, proposed by Roy Mizia

Zygmunt Kolenda, proposed by Christine Perry

Closed 7



# Sickness and Distress:

Name	Disposition



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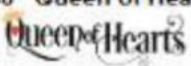








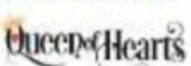

# Lodge of Sorrow

Name	Disposition

# Community Activities:

## August

Lodge Hours: Monday - Thursday 3:00 - 7:00 pm | Friday: 3:00 - 8:00 pm | Saturday: 1:00 - 5:00 pm  
Sundays for Special Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Every Monday at 7:30am Cleaning	<p><b>Do you have questions?</b> Angie Schenk, Lodge Secretary, is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:30 - 4:30 PM, except on meeting nights.</p> <p><b>Please Note:</b> Angie works full time and meetings may come up on short notice. We appreciate your understanding!</p>			1	<p>2 Summer Menu Bunco 1-3pm</p> 
<p>3 Breakfast 8:00 - 12:00 </p> <p>National Friendship Day - Bracelets, Cards &amp; Art 1:00 - 3:00 pm</p>	<p>4  Margarita Monday</p>	<p>5 5:00 Orientation 6:00 Initiation</p> <p><b>New Member Initiation Tonight</b></p>	6	<p>7 Summer Menu</p> <p>5:00 Game Night 6:30 Queen of Hearts</p> 	8	<p>9 PCACC Dog Walking 6-9am</p> 
<p>10 </p>	<p>11 Burgers &amp; BINGO</p> 	<p>12 Summer Menu Vet Meeting 5:30pm</p> 	13	<p>14 Summer Menu</p> <p>5:00 Board Meeting 5:00 Game Night 6:30 Queen of Hearts</p> 	15	<p>16 </p>
<p>17 Breakfast 8:00 - 12:00 </p>	<p>18  Margarita Monday</p>	<p>19 Summer Menu 6:30 Lodge Meeting</p> 	<p>20 12oz Prime Rib Dinner &amp; Dance</p>  <p>Reservations Required</p>	<p>21 Summer Menu</p> <p>5:00 Game Night 6:30 Queen of Heart</p> 	22	<p>23 Summer Menu Trivia 1:00 - 3:30pm</p> 
<p>24 </p>	<p>25 Burgers &amp; BINGO</p> 	26	27	<p>28 Summer Menu</p> <p>5:00 Game Night 6:30 Queen of Heart</p> 	29	<p>30 </p>



## Florence Unified School District Town Hall

September 27, 12-4 pm

District aiming for a \$98M bond to fix capital items  
Barbecue Dinner made and served by FUSD staff

## Thanksgiving Fundraiser

Collecting non-perishable donations (i.e. canned or boxed goods) for families in both Coolidge and Florence school districts

# Committee Reports: July



### Chairperson: Janet Ford

- Audit Committee met and reviewed Financial Data from April 1, 2025 thru June 30, 2025.
  - Reviewed payment vouchers, bank reconciliations and cash receipts.
  - Discussion was held as to why the Trustee review of payments is not occurring. The Lodge Bylaws do not require Trustee approval.

The Committee will ask for discussion on this matter at the next board meeting.



Chairperson: Stephen Hotz

Sub Committees:

- Community Projects and Activities - Deb Neely
- Youth Activities - Tricia Hotz
- Drug Awareness - Christine Perry
- Hoop Shoot And Soccer Shoot - Steve Johnson



## Youth Activities

- Teddy Bear Drive -partnered with *Kada's Promise* to collect teddy bears for children in need.
- Committee Meeting was July 17th- we will be adding zoom meeting access to meetings to hopefully get more attendance.
- Work on helping high school students earn their community service hours to graduate.
- Brave the Future-Teen Leadership Symposium in October: \$500 donation already approved- will be presenting check in August

## Youth Activities (cont.)

- National Friendship Day (Aug 3, 1–3 PM): Activities to include friendship bracelets, veteran cards/pictures.
- Youth Committee to work with Veterans Committee with the Girl Scouts to assist with Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner (Nov 23) at the lodge.
- Next Committee meeting August 28th 5:30pm



## Youth Activities (cont.)

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# TEDDY BEAR DRIVE



**Collecting for  
Kada's Promise**

Providing comfort to children in  
foster care, homeless shelters, and hospitals



**Drop-off Location:**

Elks Lodge #2350  
2241 N Attaway Rd  
Coolidge, AZ 85132

**Read Kada's Story @  
[kadaspromise.com](http://kadaspromise.com)**

**NEW TEDDY BEARS ONLY!**

## **Drug Awareness**

- Drug Awareness table at the back-to-school event being held on July 9th.
- Next combined committee meeting will be July 17th at 5:30 p.m.
- Will have Drug Awareness table at the Friendship Day event on August 3rd.

## **Hoop Shoot And Soccer Shoot**

- No update



## Community Projects and Activities

- Bring the Style, Rock the Smile
  - Elks 7/9/25 Back to School event for FUSD & CUSD McKinney Vento and Migrant Workers children –
  - All clothing purchased/donated by Elks has been given to FUSD/CUSD/Migrant school coordinators to distribute.
    - Elks provided 2 sets of brand new back to school clothes for each child aged 5-18 who attended the event.
    - FUSD/CUSD/Migrant coordinators confirmed children are enrolled in their program.





## Community Projects and Activities (cont.)

- I've met with CUSD/FUSD/Migrant/Pappas Kids coordinators re pros/cons of 79/25 event; we will meet again Fall 2025 to discuss/plan 2026 back to school event with goal of making this an annual Elks sponsored program
- Thanksgiving CUSD/FUSD McKinney Vento children; Elks will not do turkey donation drive this year; Elks propose to provide non-perishable Thanksgiving side dish foods; will coordinate with school coordinators for tally of in need families and number of people in each family.



## Chairperson: Keith Bollman

- Agent change in process with the state liquor license department
- Applied for a new liquor license, current license expires 08/31/2025
- New “Coke” cooler, will be used as needed for patio events

## Committee Report – Cleaning

**Chairperson: Dan Martin**



- Thank You Richard and All for helping out on clean up and set up for Bingo and other activities during August.
- We did a clean up of the kitchen and got some paint on the walls Thanks Debbie.
- We still are looking for volunteers to help on each Monday, 7:30 am for 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Please keep us in mind.



- Open wire to hood lights switched replaced
- Add outlet behind QOH sign
- Different flagpole light
- Replace lights in 40 container
- Pilot lights stove top and oven top cleaned
- Replace three floats straps lift station



- Wolf oven not reaching top temp parts ordered
- Replace #1 lift pump
- Deep cleaning and paint Kitchen
- Replace three floats straps lift station
- Picnic tables cleaned and painted put back in park



# Committee Report – RV Park



**Chairperson: Mark Blackwell**

- Nothing new to report



## Committee Report – Bingo



**Chairperson: Bonnie Hundley**

### July Bingo:

- 252 People played Bingo in July
- \$6390 in Total Payouts
- \$2024 income from card sales and dauber sales
- Bingo committee voted to contribute \$2,000 toward new ice machine
- *We need volunteers for Bingo and Bingo Burgers!!!!*



## Committee Report – Kitchen



### Chairperson: Robert Hundley

- Kitchen Committee met on 7/31/2025
- Discussed Summer Menu and Hours of operation. We will continue until October 1st where we will go back to Wed/Fri dinners
- Discussed the August 20th Lodge Event. This event will have a Band at a cost of \$500. The meal will be Prime Rib, Baked Potato, Salad and a Dinner Roll. The meal will be served Buffet style. Reservations and Prepayment was required. We have 50 reservations

## Committee Report – Kitchen (cont)



- We have been asked to Cost out a Crab Boil for Sept 26th as another Lodge Event. This event will also have a Band at a cost of \$500. This meal will include 2 clusters of Snow Crab, Shrimp, Sausage, Cobbetts, and Red Potatoes. A ribeye will also be offered (limited qty). This meal will also be served Buffet style. Reservations and Prepayment will apply. \$30 per plate
- Discussed the need for more volunteer Cooks. We can't operate the Kitchen without Cooks. No Cooks no Food

## Committee Report – Kitchen(cont)

- Much needed kitchen clean & refresh
- Kitchen on the equipment side was completely cleaned and painted. All equipment was pulled out and cleaned as well as the walls and floors.
- Next will be the otherside. Need a plan to secure all the current shelving due to instability and safety concerns as well as fixing the wall behind the 3 tub sink due to water damage.
- Once that is done and approved we can finish cleaning and painting it as well as the panty.
- Currently working on cleaning all the ceiling tiles.

**Saved the lodge \$2000**





# Deep Cleaning the Kitchen



Painting

Scrubbing



Before



**Chairperson: Chad Knutson**

**Sub Committees:**

**Americanism – Eric Minor-Mike Millikan**

**Elks National Foundation – William Ropoza**

**Elks State Major Projects- Kathy Ropoza**

**Flag Day – James Estey**

**Memorial Day – Debbie Knutson (no update)**

**Membership – Mark Blackwell**

**Lodge Activities – Co-Chairman Eric Minar**

**Veterans Services – Cameron Gilliam**



## Chairperson: Bill Rapoza

- Printed posters for lodge regarding ENF membership drive
- Working on upcoming event in November alongside AEMP for gun raffle, dinner, Pumpkin Challenge- money fundraiser for ENF membership drive and band
- Dropped off tickets to American Legion for UTV raffle



- Ordered and received pamphlets and handouts for ENF
- Working on completing challenges for ENF Chairman Challenge

## Committee Report – State Major Projects



### Chairperson: Cathy Rapoza

- Continuing to encourage sales on UTV raffle
- Working on upcoming event in November along with ENF for gun raffle, dinner, membership drive, Pumpkin Challenge-money fundraiser for ENF and band
- Worked alongside Bill from ENF to drop off tickets off to American Legion to sell for UTV raffle



## Veterans Services – Cameron Gilliam

- Cans for Vets Program in transition-
  - Background: Program previously run by Butch (passed July 31) and Nancy; collection bins at various sites.
  - Current Status: Nancy stepping back; offered route info and contact list to Lodge.
  - Committee will provide a recommendation
- Investigating purchase of purchase pre-painted patriotic mailbox/drop-box that will be located next to the Veterans Honor Park for the disposal of old flags. Estimated cost is between \$1,000-\$2,000, this will be brought for purchase approval once we have quotes.



- Veterans Banquet- planning is ongoing. Committee posted flyer for donations of baskets
- HOHP Stand Down Event — October 11  
Saturday 9am-1pm Veterans Committee will be cooking breakfast and providing bagged Lunches
- Next VA Hospital Visit 10/18
- Collecting 400 cans of beef stew (any brand) for Future Forward Foundation Thanksgiving meal bags working in conjunction with VFW



**Accident  
Prevention**



**Chairperson: Robert Hundley**

## SELF-INSPECTION

COMPLETED BY: Robert Hundley TELEPHONE: ( 602 ) 616-2379 DATE: 7/29/25

Lodge Name & Number Coolidge - Florence Elks Lodge #2350

Street Address 2241 N Attaway Rd.

City Florence State AZ Zip Code 85132



Lodge Name & Number Coolidge  
 Street Address 224  
 City Florence Sta

NOTE TO DISTRICT DEPUTIES: Please access Self-Inspection checklist at:

1 Access Roads, Walkways, Parking Areas	YES	NO	N/A
a. Free of debris, cracks, broken pavement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Different elevations between adjacent walkways provided with guards or well marked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Walkways flat, well-drained, without holes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Fences & barricades secured & in good condition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Pathways & parking areas have adequate lighting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Walkways have safe clearance from motorized equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Signs indicating "Park at your own risk"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Stairs, Ramps & Elevators/Lifts	YES	NO	N/A
a. Standard stair rails or handrails provided on stairways with four or more stairs & ramps	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Handrails well secured with no sharp or rough parts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Stair treads & risers free of chips, cracks, unevenness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Stair treads & ramps slip resistant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e. Stairways & ramps have adequate lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f. Stairs have at least 6'6" overhead clearance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g. Elevators/lifts inspected as required by local law	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3 Floor & Wall Openings	YES	NO	N/A
a. Large glass areas subject to human impact well marked	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b. Floor opening provided with guard rail or cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. Grate type covers designed not to affect foot traffic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Safe, non-skid floors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4 Entrances/Exits	YES	NO	N/A
a. Emergency lighting provided in corridors & stairways	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. All exits marked & properly illuminated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. All doors, passages, stairs that aren't exits properly marked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. All exits & passageways free of obstructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. At least two exits provided from upper floors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5 Exit doors	YES	NO	N/A
a. All exit doors open in the direction of exit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Cold storage room doors provided with inside release	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Doors opening into street provided with warnings or barriers to prevent stepping into path of vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6 Storage Areas	YES	NO	N/A
a. Storage areas clean, dry & free of obstructions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Storage area locked while unattended	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Flammables & combustibles stored away from heating devices & open flames	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Trash & debris in metal covered containers & regularly removed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7 Emergency & First Aid	YES	NO	N/A
a. Emergency numbers posted at each phone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Employees instructed on reporting emergencies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Employees instructed on use of portable extinguishers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. First Aid kits clean and fully stocked	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8 Outdoor Fixtures & Playgrounds	YES	NO	N/A
a. Benches & tables free of cracks, splinters & broken parts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Water fountains & taps in good repair without broken parts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c. BBQ free of sharp edges or missing parts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d. Playground equipment clean & in good repair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>




<http://www.elks.org/members/dds/selfinspection.cfm> for filing online.

<b>9 Swimming Pool</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
a.	Appropriate caution signs posted			X
b.	Properly enclosed to prevent falling into pool or access to children			X
c.	Glass cups & plates not allowed in pool area			X
d.	Remove diving board			X
e.	Certified lifeguard on duty when pool is open			X
<b>10 Kitchen, Bar &amp; Restaurant</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
a.	Metal container with cover provided for greasy rags		X	
b.	Knives stored in holders when not in use	X		
c.	Electrical cords & plugs of appliances in good condition	X		
d.	Food processing equipment properly guarded & in good repair	X		
e.	Glass stored away from open ice storage & food storage areas	X		
f.	Gas & beverage concentrate cylinders secured against tipping	X		
g.	Drain & other floor openings covered	X		
h.	Non-skid mats provided in line with sinks, ice machine, range, etc.	X		
i.	Mats clean and free of grease or other build-up	X		
j.	Food stored off the floor	X		
k.	Food covered & stored in refrigerator when not being prepared; proper temperature maintained	X		
l.	Hood & filters over range clean & not laden with grease	X		
m.	Suppression system in hood inspected in last 6 months	X		
n.	Chairs, stools & tables in good condition	X		
o.	Board of Health certified server and inspection	X		
<b>11 Restrooms, Locker Rooms, Showers &amp; Saunas</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
a.	Well-maintained, dry, clean, sanitized & free of debris	X		
b.	Adequate lighting; burned out bulbs promptly replaced	X		
c.	Hand towel, soap, toilet paper & sink fixtures secured and in good repair	X		
d.	Toilet stall & locker walls, doors & latches secure and in good repair	X		
e.	Walking surfaces made of non-skid materials		X	
f.	Appropriate warning signs posted: "CAUTION — SLIPPERY WHEN WET" or "DO NOT USE OVER 15 MINUTES," etc.	X		
<b>12 Personal Protection Devices</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
a.	Appropriate protective devices provided for chemicals on site, including masks, safety aprons, gloves, goggles, etc.		X	
b.	Compliance with "Right to Know" requirements where applicable	X		
<b>13 Protection Devices</b>		<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
a.	All automatic fire sprinkler system supply valves wide open	X		
b.	All heat/smoke detection systems in operation	X		
c.	Portable extinguishers serviced in last 12 months & tagged	X		
d.	Pressures in appropriate range on gauge	X		
e.	Extinguishers properly mounted at stations	X		
f.	Extinguishers recharged, as required	X		
g.	All sleeping quarters provided with smoke detectors unless provided with automatic sprinklers and carbon monoxide detectors			X

## Accident and Safety Prevention

1. Missing Cap from Fire Riser.
2. Speaker coming out of ceiling in the kitchen.
3. Kitchen shelving not secure.
4. Wall damaged behind sink.





## Chairperson: Bob Beck

- **No update**





## Committee Report – LAPSATION

**Chairperson: Chad Knutson**

Beginning Membership Total: 524



Increases	
Initiated	15
Affiliated	12
Reinstated	3
Subtotal	30

Decreases	
Dropped	11
Transferred Out	3
Absolute Dimit	
Deaths	2
Expelled	
Subtotal	16



## Committee Report – LAPSATION (cont)

**Chairperson: Chad Knutson**



Calculated Membership	538
CLMS Active Members	538
Average Age	69.96
Gain / Loss	14

# Committee Report – LAPSATION (cont)

**Chairperson: Chad Knutson**



Delinquency	
Six Months:	0
One Year:	52
Over One Year:	0
Total:	52
Lapsation Rate:	9.92%



# Committee Report – Public Relations

## Chairperson: Deb Knutson

DISTRICT	East	MONTH	July
LODGE NUMBER	2350	DIST. CHAIRPERSON	Deb Melton
LODGE NAME	CoolFlow	LODGE CHAIRPERSON	Debbie Knutson
EXALTED RULER	Chad Knutson	DATE SUBMITTED	7/30/2025

Articles published compared to June are down by 3 points  
The 3 sources I use are:

Coolidge Examiner  
Elks Magazine  
AZ Elks Assoc Newsletter

FaceBook activity is up from June by 224 interactions

Website activity is up from June by 2,497 hits

News Papers	Online Articles	Magazines	TV Mentions & Stories	Radio Mentions & Stories	Community Signs	Activity Signs and Posters	Robo-Calls	Social Media Posts
1-point per story	1-point per story	1-point per story	1-point per mention or story	1-point per mention or story	1-point per sign, per location, per month	1-point per poster: DAP, Vets, etc.	1-pt per robo-call	1-point per each post
1	2	-	-	-	5	6	-	31

Social Shares, Replies & Likes	Website Hits	Email Blasts	Parades	Speaking to Outside Groups	Fairs, Events & Trade Shows	Incoming / Outgoing Cards & Letters	Officer Bulletin Articles	Total
1-point per like, comments and share	1-point per hit	1-point per email name, per email sent	1-point per parade	1-point per occurrence	1-point per day, per event	1-point per letter or card	1-point per article	
550	8,156	3,800	-	-	-	-	1	12,552

## Committee Report – EVENTS

**Chairperson: DAWN WINSOR**



- Bunco will be August 2nd- \$10.00 charge. \$5 is being returned to the Lodge and designated for the Maintenance Fund
- Wednesday August 20- Canyon State Band, 12oz Prime Rib dinner will be advertised and participants will prepay the \$35 meal. Theme is "Beat the Heat". Any profits being designated to Children's Charity
- September 26th is Bob Villa and Crab Boil. The menu and cost is being discussed with Kitchen Committee



- Gail Smith provided dates of TAD concerts for planning purposes as to not overlap lodge events
- August 23rd is Trivia we are expecting this to grow as it is very popular with Anthem members





- November 7th will be Luau Night- Band will be JD Dance Band- Bill & Cathy Rapoza will work with the Kitchen Committee to determine menu and cost. Any profits will go to the AEMP-ENF Fund
- November 15th-Gail Smith is organizing a craft fair from 9-1. She will organize and sell spaces to vendors. Proceeds from this will go to the Children's Fund. Following the Craft Fair there will be trivia from 3-5PM



## **Chairperson: Jose "Mo" Maldonado**

## **Committee: Keith Eaton, Jeremy Ross**

- Put out PSA on TOF FB page on Mental Health Awareness
- Attended Community meeting with Sen Wendy Rodgers discussed Leg. Agendas
- Sent push notifications to Senators Kelly & Gallego & Rep Crane on Richard Star Act & SAVES Act



## GOVERNMENT RELATIONS REPORT

DISTRICT: East  
LODGE: #2350 Florence/Coolidge  
CHAIRMAN: Jose "Mo" Maldonado  
REPORT DATE: 7/28/25

1. Have you updated your Charity Book records and did all events get entered? did you double check your monthly newsletter to see if all events were included?

Yes

2. Did you send any correspondences to your local Government this month? For example: Introduction letters, Birthday cards, congratulation letters regarding their goals, invitations to attend a first response evening?

Yes thanked Council on Mental Health PSA.

3. Have any government officials visited your Lodge and/or events?

Not this month.

4. Have you initiated any government officials?

Senator Wendy Rogers. Spoke of Legislative priorities in our LD that passed and that didn't pass this year.

5. Have you sent copies of your Charity Report to all government officials to keep them updated?

Yes

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6. Have you published an article in your newsletter and/or local newspaper(s) informing Lodge members as well as your community of contributions made to local charitable organizations?

No

7. On an ongoing basis, have you been working with your Exalted Ruler, Secretary and other Lodge Officers on your "Charity Records Booklet"?

Not yet

*\*This Report is for Lodge Chairmen to complete monthly. After completion it should be forwarded to your District Chairman who will forward to the State Chairman. State Chairmen will forward to their Area Representative. Always copy your DDGER & VP.*

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# Committee Report – Scholarships

**Chairperson: Angie Schenk**



- ENF Most Valuable Student Scholarship opens August 1, 2025
- All 4 high schools have been notified

# Communications:

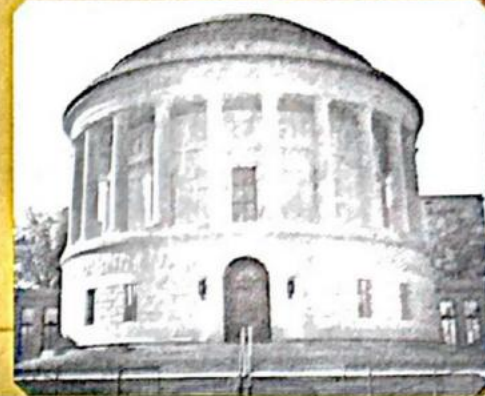
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1	Message from Grand Exalted Ruler	Info
2	Website Award	Information only
3	Thank you letter from VA	Information only
4	Thank you letter from VA	Information only
5	Thank you letter from ENF	Information only
6	Thank you from Florence school for supplies	Information only





# Grand Lodge NEWSLETTER

*Elks Care — Elks Share*



## It's up to you to Be The Difference this year

After nearly 40 years as an Elks Member and 17 years serving as Grand Secretary, I am honored to now represent our Order as Grand Exalted Ruler for 2025-26.

I first want to thank my wife, Susan. Her dedication and support make this journey possible. We owe a great debt of gratitude to our friends, family, and fellow Elks. We thank you all for everything.

My theme is *"Be The Difference."* Keep it in mind all year—and beyond.

*Be The Difference...* in a veteran's life. Be it by helping them out of homelessness, providing Welcome Home Kits, visiting them in their home or retirement center, or mailing them a birthday or holiday card.

*Be The Difference...* in a student's



**Message from  
the Grand  
Exalted Ruler**

**BRYAN R.  
KLATT**

life. Be it by organizing clothing and school supply drives, holding Hoop Shoot or Soccer Shoot contests, championing Drug Awareness, and promoting the many scholarships offered by the Grand Lodge programs and State Associations.

*Be The Difference...* in your Lodge. Be

it by volunteering, getting involved, and using the many available grants to help those who need it most.

In other words, we need *you* to *Be The Difference* for our Order to grow.

Susan and I are embarking on a year of travel, promoting our many Elks programs administered by our Grand Lodge committees. All our Order's endeavors strive to give back to and improve our communities.

Furthering our commitment to charity will make our Lodges even stronger. It will deepen the camaraderie among the Members of our Lodges as we work

Please see **GER**, Page 3



# REACH FOR THE STARS

COOLIDGE-FLORENCE, ARIZONA LODGE NO. 2350

*Has Been Awarded*



*Four Star Recognition*

FOR EXCELLENCE IN LODGE

WEB SITE DESIGN AND LAYOUT

2024-2025



*Douglas A. Schiefer*  
Douglas A. Schiefer, Grand Exalted Ruler

*Bryan R. Klatt*  
Bryan R. Klatt, Grand Secretary

*Gwendolyn B. Parker*  
Gwendolyn B. Parker, Chairman  
Grand Lodge Fraternal Committee



July 22, 2025

In Reply Refer To:  
678/2-135

Tricia Hotz  
On Behalf Of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks - #2350  
2363 N Hidden Canyon Dr.  
Florence, Arizona 85132

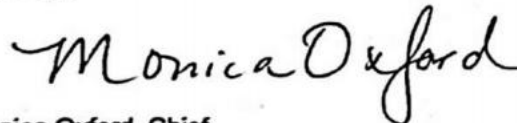
Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Tucson-Southern AZ VA HCS (678) patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of socks to the Homeless Program, donation of toiletries, clothing, recreational games, and pencils to the Recreational Therapy Program and Comfort Cart at the Tucson VA for Veterans on July 19, 2025.

It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide for our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events.

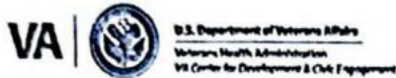
Thank you for your continued support and advocacy.

Sincerely,



Monica Oxford, Chief  
Center for Development & Civic Engagement

Cc: David L. Gruschke, VAVS Representative  
Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks



Tucson-Southern AZ VA HCS (678)  
3601 S. 6th Ave (2-135)  
Tucson, Arizona 85723

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On behalf of the Tucson-Southern AZ VA HCS (678) patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your activity donation of celebrating Veterans birthdays at the Community Living Center, a group visit to celebrate birthdays which included presented pins, challenge coins, and Cardinal gear to Veterans at the Tucson VA on July 19, 2025.

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**Elks National Veterans Service Commission**

2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-1889  
(773) 755-4736 • Vets@elks.org • www.elks.org/vets

July 29, 2025

Coolidge-Florence, Ariz., Lodge No. 2350  
PO Box 1033  
Florence, AZ 85132

Thank you for the generous donation of \$500 to the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Your contribution will go directly toward the Elks Veterans Leather Program.

Last year, Elks members collected thousands of hides from other Elks and hunters across the country. Our program turns these hides into finished leather, which serves veterans in several ways.

Finished leather goes to create craft kits for veterans in VA facilities, rehabilitation clinics, State Veterans Homes, and anywhere veterans gather to recover and thrive. Thousands of veterans receive free craft kits thanks to this program, and Elks distribute many of these to veterans directly in their communities.

Hundreds of veterans every year also receive quality leather wheelchair gloves from the Elks. Veterans use these gloves in day-to-day life, as well as to compete in adaptive sports and clinics. Take it from veteran Max, who raved about his Elks gloves.

"It's a godsend. These gloves fit perfectly and they're nice and soft — better than any gloves I've had to buy. After you put them on a bit, they fit to your hands. It's very helpful for veterans like me."

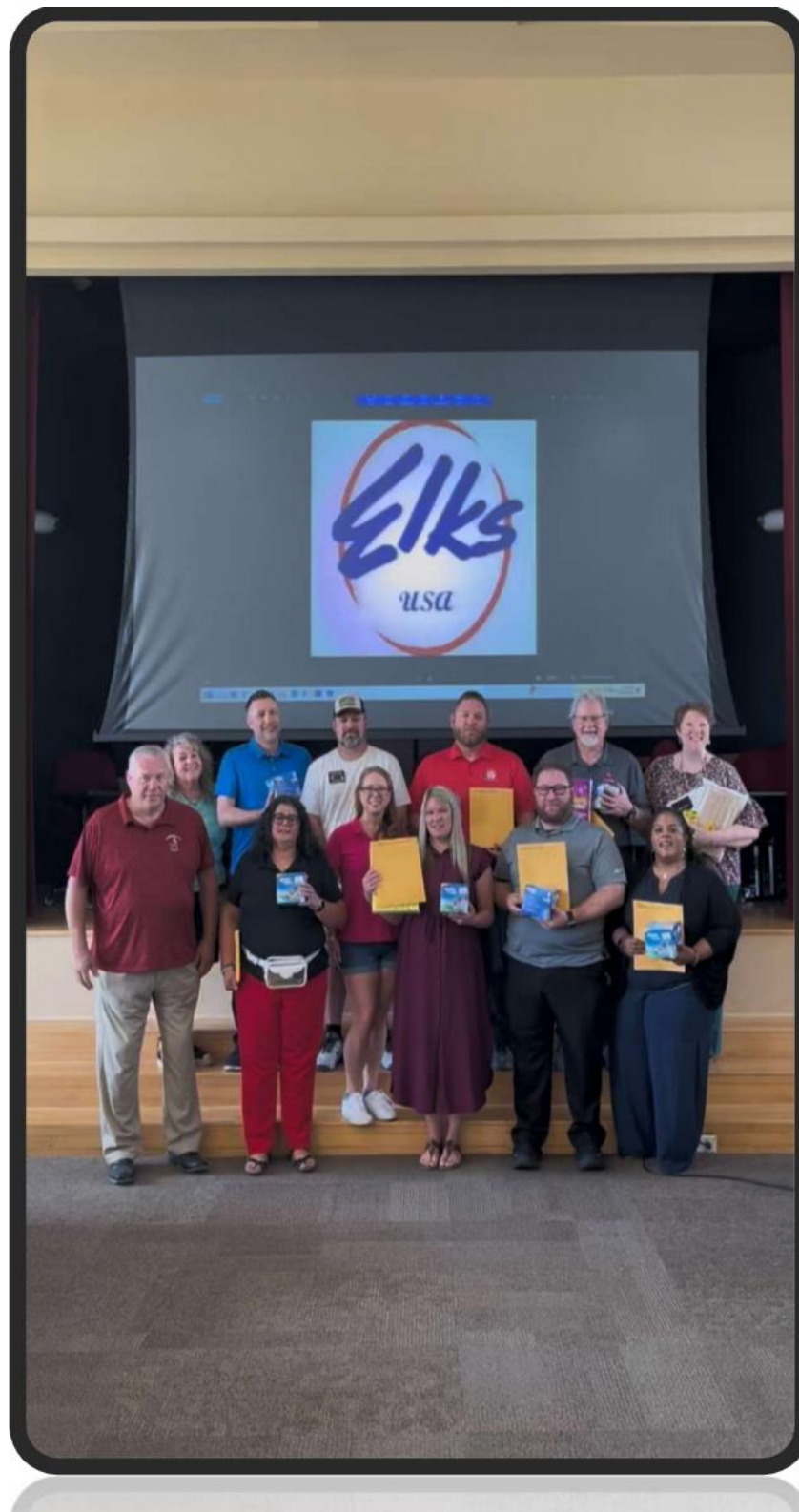
Everything we do is powered by our volunteers, and by donations from people like you.

We thank you again for your support. For more information about our work, please visit [www.elks.org/vets.cfm](http://www.elks.org/vets.cfm). If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us at 773-755-4736 or at [Vets@elks.org](mailto:Vets@elks.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Morgan".

Mary Morgan  
Director





## Report on Applications:

# First Read

[illegible]



## New Business:

	Description	Action by members
1	Coolidge 100 Anniversary Support	Approval
2	Purchase New Ice Maker	Approval
3	Volunteer Appreciation	Information Only
4	Lottery Pull Tabs	Approval
5	Verizon Tower	Approval
6		

Elks Lodge #2350 will purchase an ad in the commemorative magazine that shows out support of the community.

Cost of ad- \$

Motion to Accept By:

2nd By:

Discussions:

Motion Approved /Rejected



# Celebrating 100 YEARS OF THE CITY OF COOLIDGE

The City of Coolidge will celebrate its 100th anniversary of incorporation on September 20th. To honor this milestone, a special commemorative magazine highlighting Coolidge's rich history will be included in the **September 18<sup>th</sup> edition** of the **PinalCentral Dispatch**.

AD SIZE	DIMENSIONS	PRICE
1/12 Page .....	2.4167" x 2.375" .....	\$90
1/8 Page .....	3.6875" x 2.375" .....	\$135
1/4 Page Horizontal .....	7.5" x 2.375" .....	\$225
1/4 Page Vertical .....	3.6875" x 4.875" .....	\$225
1/3 Page Horizontal .....	7.5" x 3.208" .....	\$290
1/3 Page Vertical .....	2.4167" x 9.875" .....	\$290
1/2 Page Horizontal .....	7.5" x 4.875" .....	\$395
1/2 Page Vertical .....	3.6875" x 9.875" .....	\$395
Full Page .....	7.5" x 9.875" .....	\$675
Full Page – Page 3 .....	7.5" x 9.875" .....	\$800
Inside Front Cover .....	7.5" x 9.875" .....	\$850
Inside Back Cover .....	7.5" x 9.875" .....	\$750
Back Cover .....	7.5" x 9.875" .....	\$900

PREMIUM POSITIONS

**Deadline is Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Full color included in the price. Add 3% tax to the above rates.

## Purchase a new ice machine

### History

- Ice machine purchased last year stopped working and we received a full refund
- Second ice machine is very old and is no longer supported

Cost - \$6,336.79

Motion to Accept By:

2nd By:

Discussions:

Motion Approved /Rejected



# Coolidge-Florence Elks



## Invoice

Date	Invoice #
8/15/2025	35761

Bill To
COOLIDGE-FLORENCE ELKS LODGE #2350 2241 N ATAWAY RD FLORENCE, AZ 85132

Ship To
COOLIDGE-FLORENCE ELKS LODGE #2350 2241 N ATAWAY RD FLORENCE, AZ 85132

Rep	Due Date	P.O. No.	Terms
JMM	8/15/2025	MARK WILEY	

Item	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
KM-350MAJ	HOSHIZAKI ICE MAKER CRESENT CUBE STYLE 22"W AIR-COOLED SELF CONTAINED CONDENSER 489 LB/ 24HRS 115V/60/1-PH	1	4,235.27	4,235.27
B-300SF	HOSHIZAKI ICE BIN TOP HINGED FRONT OPENING DOOR APPROX 260LB	1	1,451.52	1,451.52
INSTALLATION	CHARGE TO DELIVER, INSTALL, AND RUN TEST THE ABOVE ICE MACHINE	1	650.00	650.00
CUSTOMER CONTACT: MARK WILEY @ (928) 587-7082				
NOTE: INSTALLER (ALEX) TO CALL MARK TO SCHEDULE DELIVERY/INSTALLATION				

<b>Subtotal</b>	\$6,336.79
<b>Sales Tax (9.1%)</b>	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	\$6,336.79
<b>Payments/Credits</b>	\$0.00
<b>Balance Due</b>	\$6,336.79

1 ea **ICE MAKER, CUBE-STYLE**

\$4,235.27

\$4,235.27

Hoshizaki Model No. KM-350MAJ

Ice Maker, Cube-Style, 22"W, air-cooled, self-contained condenser, production capacity up to 489 lb/24 hours at 70°/50° (393 lb AHRI certified at 90°/70°), crescent cube style, stainless steel finish, R-404A refrigerant, 115v/60/1-ph, 9.05 amps, NSF, UL, ENERGY STAR®

1 ea Warranty: 3-Year parts & labor on entire machine

1 ea Warranty: 5-Year parts & labor on evaporator

1 ea Warranty: 5-Year parts on compressor & air-cooled condenser

1 ea B-300SF Ice Bin, 22"W, top-hinged front-opening door, 300-lb ice storage capacity, for top-mounted ice maker, stainless steel exterior, 6" painted flange legs included, protected with H-GUARD Plus Antimicrobial Agent, ETL, ETL-Sanitation

\$1,451.52

\$1,451.52

1 ea Warranty: 3-Year parts & labor for bin

**ITEM TOTAL:**

**\$5,686.79**

- Price does not include shipping or setup

# Volunteer Appreciation Program

## Celebrating the Heart of Our Lodge – Our Volunteers!

### Why It Matters

- Your time and dedication make our lodge stronger. This program tracks your volunteer hours and rewards your service with recognition, gifts, and special events

# Volunteer Appreciation Program



## Award Levels

Level	Hours/Year	Benefits
Bronze	25 hrs	Elks shirt, \$12 dinner voucher, name tag
Silver	35 hrs	Bronze benefits + Invite to Appreciation Event (cocktail hour, dinner & dance)
Gold	75 hrs	Bronze & Silver benefits + Guest invite + Special recognition from Exalted Ruler



# Volunteer Appreciation Program

## Volunteer of the Month

- Selected monthly by the Board
- Nominated by committee chairs
- Recognized at meetings and in the newsletter
- Receives Elks Lodge shirt, dinner voucher, and special award



# Volunteer Appreciation Program



## How to Report Your Hours

Submit your hours within **72 hours** of volunteering.

### Ways to Report:

Lodge iPads

- iPhone (see Stephen Hotz for shortcut)
- Android phone or home computer
- Elks 2350 Web Page



**Online Form: Elks**

or scan QR code



## Questions?

Contact:

**Stephen Hotz**

**<shotz1979@outlook.com>**

**Mark Blackwell**

**<wiley1953@yahoo.com>**

**Cameron Gilliam**

**<camerongilliam3@gmail.com>**



# Volunteer Appreciation Program

## Additional program information

- There will be a onetime upload of the hours recorded on the paper timesheets kept behind the bar.
- August 25 the paper time sheet will no longer be available. Use the online system for hours starting NOW!
- Volunteer Program Poster: Posted in the lodge
- Volunteer Program Handouts: are available tonight. (Limited copies) Link will be available on web site to download.
- SOP Volunteer Appreciation: will be posted on the website



# Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Hours Tracker

1956shotz@gmail.com [Switch account](#)



Not shared

\* Indicates required question

Name (First, Last) \*

Your answer

Date \*

Date

mm/dd/yyyy

Hours Volunteered (Enter Partial hours as a decimal) \*

Your answer

What did you do?

- ☐ Bar Tender
- ☐ Bingo
- ☐ Communications
- ☐ Event Set Up
- ☐ Food Runner / Hostess
- ☐ Kitchen Help (Cook, Dishwasher)
- ☐ Lodge Cleaning
- ☐ Maintenance
- ☐ Newsletter
- ☐ Server
- ☐ Surveys
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Mileage (enter even numbers no decimals)

Your answer

Short Description of work performed \*

Your answer

Selected what you did, if multiple select more than one.

If not listed check other

What did you do?

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- ☐ Server
- ☐ Surveys
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Enter Mileage if applicable

Mileage (enter even numbers no decimals)

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

Enter a short description of work performed

Short Description of work performed \*

Your answer \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Area(s) where work was done \*

☐ Lodge (Multiple Areas)

☐ Kitchen

☐ Bar

☐ Patio

☐ Vets Park

☐ RV Park

☐ Work from Home

☐ Offsite

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If Volunteer work was not completed at the Lodge please specify where?

Your answer  
\_\_\_\_\_

Submit

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## Pull Tabs / Lottery Machine

- 48 month lease / \$150 a month or \$5500 to purchase outright
- 6 games max per machine
- Games ranging from \$.50 to \$5
- Redeem winnings here, one grand prize per box of tickets
- No monthly tax report, just recorded on year end filing with 1099

Motion to Accept By:

2nd By:

Discussions:

Motion Approved /Rejected



### Verizon Tower installation

- 30'x40' compound for ground equipment with easements
- 2 year option due diligence, renewable for another year  
\$1000 upfront payment for the first 2 years and another \$1000 for the additional year
- \$1400 monthly to start, 10% escalator after 10 years, then every 5 years thereafter
- No cost to the Lodge

Motion to Accept By:

2nd By:

Discussions:

Motion Approved /Rejected

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# Meeting Adjourned

Thank you for your attention

Next meeting: 9/2/2025